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MR. BREWER MAKES FINAL PLEA

ELOQUENT SPEECH FROM DOCK
BY ACCUSED

"NOT A FRAUD"

ENTHUSIASM OF A LAWYER TO
CREATE A PRECEDENT

Mr. Noel Instone Brewer, barrister-at-law, and President of the Instone Banking Corporation, who had been found "Guilty" by a jury at the last Criminal Sessions, on a charge of making a false statement contrary to the Perjury Ordinance, appeared before his Honour the Puisne Judge (Mr. Justice J. R. Wood) at the Supreme Court this morning to receive his sentence.

Mr. Brewer, who was brought into the dock by a warder, looked very calm and collected. He carried a bundle of papers in his hand. Mrs. Brewer was also present before the Court sat, and showed signs of agitation, dabbling her eyes with her handkerchief at frequent intervals. She later left the Court room.

Before sentence was passed, Mr. Brewer asked permission to make a speech in mitigation, and, on his Lordship assenting to the request, prisoner reviewed the history of the bank in detail and emphatically maintained that he was not a fraud.

JUDGE ON HIS "PAINFUL DUTY"

Before his Lordship passed sentence, Mr. Brewer said:—

My Lord, I have been found guilty on this charge, but to be guilty on this charge may vary from a degree of culpability to one which is little more than technical. There is a considerable amount of evidence which normally would have come out on the second and third counts, dealing mainly with the question as to whether the business was run fraudulently and whether Mr. Brewer himself was fraudulently inclined. That evidence was not directly relevant to the question of whether there was guilt or no guilt on the first count, but since it is very relevant to the question of whether I am guilty or not, I ask My Lord that that evidence be adduced before I ask for mitigation.

A Great Privilege

Mr. Justice Wood:—I am granting you a great privilege Mr. Brewer, in hearing you at all and I don't propose that the matter you have suggested be made public. If you wish to speak I will not prevent you.

Mr. Brewer:—You will hear me speak?

Mr. Justice Wood:—Yes.

Mr. Brewer:—But you will not permit that evidence to be given. Continuing, Mr. Brewer said:—

I am addressing your Lordship on the grounds that my culpability on this crime is not great. The Statutory Report which I knowingly and wilfully caused to be published, which has been declared to be false, was not printed or circulated publicly. The point which I am going to make out was that it was not done fraudulently or wilfully.

Deceived Nobody

The Statutory Report was typewritten and not printed and only enough copies were produced to circulate one to each shareholder and one to the Registrar of Companies. The copies sent to shareholders were all parties to the letter of application loan and knew the method adopted. If they had any doubt they had opportunity to query the nature of the deposits. The actual amount of cash in possession of the firm was clearly stated in the Statutory Report as \$40,000. The copy sent to the Registrar could deceive nobody because he himself was fully aware of the nature of the Statutory Report and the circumstances under which it had been produced.

A Thousand to One Chance

The Crown prosecutor adduced in his final speech that this was an important document calculated to deceive investors but in Hong Kong that is not true—it may be so in England where people, who refer to the Statutory Report—but it is not true in Hong Kong. No Chinese in fact, look at the Registrar's file. I know that there was not a thousand to one chance of any potential investor looking at that Statutory Report and be-

WAR ASSASSIN GLORIFIED

TABLET TO MURDERER OF
AUSTRIAN ARCHDUKE
"HERO OF LIBERTY"

Belgrade, Yesterday.
A tablet in memory of Gabriel Princip, the student whose assassination of the Austrian Archduke Ferdinand was the first step in the Great War, was unveiled on a house at Sarajewo overlooking the scene of the murder, inscribed "For this historic deed Princip proclaimed liberty." A silver wreath was deposited in the name of the youth of Dalmatia. Five hundred people were present.—Reuter.

it not been for that the Instone Banking Corporation would still have been going strong. Even after we went into voluntary liquidation the state of our business was sufficiently good to make outsiders come in, willing to carry on the business and to pay our creditors in full. An actual agreement was signed whereby creditors would have been paid in full.

Not A Fly-by-Night

Instone Brewer himself is not one who would lend himself to a fraud. If the prosecution could have adduced that he was "a fly-by-night" or a man of straw, it would have told strongly in favour of the prosecution. I have been domiciled here for the last sixteen years, twelve of which have been spent in actual residence. I am known to be not a rich man but possessing moderate savings. I was a barrister of the Court of Hong Kong of good standing. I stood to make no profit out of this firm at any time. I had a salary of \$500 a month and I considered, and it is generally considered, I earned it. If I wanted to make money out of this firm, when the firm agreed to pay me \$58,000 in respect of Directors' agreement, I could have taken the money. That contract was worth it. It was not as has been put forward, a right to sell bonds. The face of the contract will tell you that it was a guarantee that a certain number of bonds were to be sold and that guarantee was backed by securities. For the benefit of the firm I allowed them to withdraw from a binding agreement that had been entered into and lost my chance of being repaid \$55,000 which is ten years' salary.

Invested His Own Money

I invested my own money in the Instone Bank. I did not ask for free shares. I made nothing out of the promotion of this Company. Had I wished to defraud I do so. I made out the memorandum and Articles of Association. I made my own contract as President and fixed my own salary as President. I did not in fact "squeeze" anyone and never sold my shares and I still possess them for what they are worth. Had my intentions been fraudulent I would have got rid of my shares while the public believed and the company to be doing well. Both I and my wife were and still are depositors in the Bank. We saw the Bank coming to a crash but we did not draw out the money that belonged to us. The Bank still owes us money. We knew the Bank was a sound proposition and we fully believed the Bank would have paid all creditors as in fact they were in a position to do.

Books Perfectly Kept

The books had been consistently kept and the Court had had expert evidence that the books were in excellent condition, that it was easy for anybody coming to the books to see how things stood. The records were all entered and kept with great care. Everything was done to build up a permanent firm, not a bucket shop nor a "fly-by-night." The unforseeable trouble in Shekhi and Canton were not the fault of the management. In fact, in all subsequent meetings of shareholders I was proposed and passed unanimously as one of the liquidators. At the finish I was proposed voluntary liquidator and I did my best then to show myself deserving of their trust and the first thing I did was to get Messrs. Lowe, Bingham and Matthews to go through the books and to find out exactly how things stood. That was not the action of one who had been defrauding the concern. I gave Messrs. Lowe, Bingham and Matthews every assistance possible and thereby enabled to put through an agreement with Singapore people in which agreement the position of the bank was plainly set out and at no time was it distorted.

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NEW U.S. MINISTER TO CHINA

CREDENTIALS PRESENTED TO
THE PRESIDENT
A COMMON IDEAL

Canton, Yesterday.
The new American Minister, Mr. Nelson Johnson, presented his credentials to President Chiang Kai-shek yesterday morning through the introduction of Dr. C. T. Wang, Foreign Minister. The following messages were exchanged:—

The American Minister said:—

"Your Excellency:

"The President of the United States has honoured me by appointing me to represent the Government of the United States at the seat of the Government of the Republic of China. It will be my endeavour at all times to co-operate with Your Excellency's Government furthering and maintaining the friendly principles of mutual and sympathetic understanding, which have characterised the intercourse between the two countries.

Peaceful Waters

"Our peoples look neighbourly out upon one another across the peaceful waters. The goal sought by both is peace and security that they may enjoy the mutual exchange of material and cultural goods which makes for the better understanding of one another's ideals and problems. The Government of the United States has no other object in its foreign policy. To its attainment it is prepared to meet and co-operate with the Government of the Republic of China.

"I have the honour to hand a letter of recalling my predecessor, and, at the same time, to present a letter of credence, whereby the President of the United States commends me to Your Excellency."

President Chiang replied: "It gives me great pleasure to receive the letters which you have presented by order of the President of the United States, announcing the recall of your predecessor and the appointment of Your Excellency as Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary to the Republic of China. I am grateful for the assurance, which you have conveyed of the very friendly sentiments entertained by the President of the United States towards the Republic of China and myself.

A Better Understanding

"I am happy to agree with Your Excellency that the aim of the peoples of China and the United States is to bring about better understanding of one another's ideals and problems, and I am grateful to know that Your Excellency's Government, with a view to its attainment, is prepared to meet and co-operate with the Chinese Government.

"With your thorough understanding of China and the aspirations of the Chinese people, due to your long residence, I am confident that friendly principles will again find immediate application between our countries, and I am happy to assure Your Excellency that the National Government of the Republic of China will extend you every courtesy for the full realisation of this object.

"I avail myself of this opportunity to request Your Excellency to transmit to the President of the United States on behalf of the people of China and myself our sincere wishes for his health and the welfare and prosperity of your country."

CHINESE IN RUSSIA

Germany Asked to Give
Protection

Nanking, Yesterday.
General Chang Hsueh-liang reports that the Soviet authorities deny transportation facilities to Chinese nationals who have been held up in Russia, many of whom are returning to China on foot.

Since Chinese consular officials have not yet resumed their posts, General Chang suggests that the German Consulate in Soviet Territory be requested to continue to protect Chinese and to see that they return to China in safety.—Canton News Agency.

ST. PAUL'S RESTORED

Famous Cathedral Now
Open for Worship

Rugby, Yesterday.
A great festival extending from June 25 to July 12 will mark the complete restoration of St. Paul's Cathedral to public worship. Nine official services are being arranged, the first of which will be the re-opening and thanksgiving service, to which the King has accepted an invitation and when the Archbishop of Canterbury will preach.—British Wireless Service.

GERMAN INDUSTRY Representatives to Pay Visit to Hong Kong

CO-OPERATION WITH CHINA

Nanking, Yesterday.
Minister Chiang Kai-shek reports that the German Industrial Investigation Delegation, composed of representatives of the steel, electricity, civil engineering, and railway engineering industries, under the leadership of Mr. Retzmann, is leaving for China on February 26, arriving at Hong Kong on March 30. The delegation will inspect Canton before sailing for Shanghai on April 8. The trip is undertaken after a full year's preparation by industrialists, which will have an important effect on the future of Sino-German co-operation.—Canton News Agency.

STOP PRESS

Washington, Yesterday.
Congress has asked President Hoover to sanction an increase in the Secret Service Guard attached to White House for the purpose of protecting the lives of the President and his family.

The guard at present consists of four sergeants and 35 detectives who in future will be under the control of the Secret Service Department of the Treasury.

The White House Secret Service Guard was organised following the assassination of President McKinley in 1901.—Reuter's American Service.

TRIBUTE TO AMERICA

Congratulations from
Air Council

Rugby, Yesterday.
Lord Thomson, Secretary for Air, has sent a telegram of congratulation on behalf of the Air Council to Mr. F. C. Chichester, the New Zealand pilot, who recently completed a lone flight to Australia from Croydon.—British Wireless Service.

FRENCH FLAG SHIP

According to a Naval Wireless message, the French cruiser Waldeck Rousseau, flying the flag of Rear-Admiral Nouget will visit Hong Kong on February 11 and will remain here until February 20.

CLOUDY, SOME RAIN

To-day's weather report from the Royal Observatory states: The anti-cyclone is central over Eastern Gobi.

Fresh monsoon prevails along the S.E. Coast of China and moderate to light monsoon over the China Sea.

Forecast:—N. E. winds; moderate; generally cloudy; some rain.

Rainfall

Rainfall since January 1, 2.27 inch, against an average of 1.65 inch.

Temperature and Humidity

The temperature and humidity at certain specified centres this morning at 6 o'clock were:

	Hong Kong	Temp.	Humid.
	55	73	
	54	88	
	67	89	
	68	96	
	62	93	
	51	94	
	24	100	
	37	83	

BETTER TO HAVE WALKED

Wong Foon-loi (19), an engineer, was charged at the Kowloon Magistrate's court this morning before Mr. T. S. Whyte-Smith with avoiding payment on one of the Kowloon Motor Bus Company's vehicles at Prince Edward Road, Kowloon City on February 1.

The defendant admitted the offence, and said that when he boarded the bus he discovered he had no money with him.

The police stated that the defendant, when asked for his fare, said he had a monthly ticket, and on being demanded to produce it, showed an ordinary daily ticket, which had been issued 3 days before, and therefore was not valid.

Mr. Whyte-Smith said it was silly of the man to get on the motor bus, when he knew very well he had no money with him. He should have walked.

A fine of \$10 was imposed.

WUCHOW NOT YET EVACUATED

CANTON REINFORCEMENTS
TAKE ENEMY BY SURPRISE
STRATEGY FAILS

Canton, Yesterday.
Our representative is reliably informed to-day that Wuchow has not been evacuated by the Cantonese troops, whose strength at that port is about four divisions. Colour has been given to the recent rumours of the Cantonese evacuation by the requisition of all available native craft at Wuchow, but it was not, however, known to the general public that the boats were required to transport troops to meet a thrust by the enemy on the left flank, with the evident object of cutting the communications of the Cantonese.

It is revealed that, taking advantage of the Cantonese troops going up the Fu River to attack Lo Ping, which has since fallen, the Kwangsi rebels came down by river from Liuchow to Chumchow and after reaching Ta Teng, which is about 30 miles from Wuchow, their main forces marched cross country, presumably aiming at Pongchow, which is 15 miles below Wuchow. But the Cantonese were well aware of the enemy's movement and had taken precaution to withdraw two divisions from the Fu River.

Taken By Surprise

The re-inforcements took the enemy by surprise and drove them back in the direction of Chumchow. According to the last report, the Cantonese are still in pursuit of the rebels, who are said to be entrenching themselves at Chumchow.

The 6th Route Army, which it will be remembered, is composed of northern troops under the command of General Chu Chao-liang, whose headquarters are at Lok Ping, has moved in a westerly direction towards Laipo, which is 30 miles away. It is anticipated that the enemy will not make a serious stand at Laipo, but will retire to Liuchow about 55 miles toward west. Here the rebels will no doubt put up a stubborn resistance, as the fall of Liuchow will cut the line of communications between the rebel forces at Kwei-lin and Chumchow, a contingent, which would have a fatal effect in the Kwangsi warfare, as it was the capture of Liuchow in the last year's campaign that decided the eventual defeat of the Kwangsi rebels.

The Kwangsi Campaign

The Kwangsi rebel forces under Generals Meng Chi and Wang Kun assaulted Pinglo on January 26, but were subsequently repulsed by the 6th Army Route, in a severe encounter. The rebels are reported to have retreated in two directions—one towards Wuhshun and Fenyang, and the other towards Maoping and Liuchow, with the object of linking up with the Ironside remnants, who are said to be in Kwei-lin.

According to a telegraphic message received from the front in Kwangsi, the military authorities have decided to first subjugate all the rebels along the upper West River and to capture Nanning, the capital, within ten days. The armies under the 8th Route Army have had instructions to concentrate at Wuchow and Tengyuan, leaving the rebel remnants along the Fu River to be dealt with by the 6th Army Route.

Defence Duty

In compliance with the order by the Commander-in-Chief, General Chan Chai-long, for more gendarmes to do defence duty at Wuchow, Garrison Commander General Lam Shi-ching despatched the Fourth Detachment of Gendarmes, who sailed for their destination on January 31.—Canton News Agency.

HARSH RED RULE

Scheme to Drive Out
the Private Trader

AGGRESSIVE ATTITUDE

Moscow, Yesterday.

The Soviet has forbidden all private trade in the products of the metal, textile, chemical and electrical industries, also building material, radio apparatus, kerosene, sugar, salt, matches, tobacco, and cigarettes, which will henceforth only be sold by State and co-operative shops. This is part of the plan of the gradual abolition of private trade in products of State industries.—Reuter.

The Wounded Pirate

Dr. G. H. Thomas then gave evidence about the injury suffered by the third accused, Lam Ming. Witness examined the man at 9.30 p.m., on December 8 and found that he had three wounds on his body. One was a small wound on the front of the left shoulder. There were signs of air under the armpit which showed that the lung had been punctured.

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HAICHING PIRACY TRIAL

THE CHIEF OFFICER GIVES
EVIDENCE
THE SHIP'S DEFENCES

The three Hoklos charged in connection with the piracy on board the s.s. Haiching and with the murder of F. K. Woodward, third officer, and the Indian Guard, Khal Singh, made a fourth appearance before Mr. E. W. Hamilton at the Central Magistracy this morning.

Mr. F. C. Duxon, chief engineer of the Haiching, was recalled, and in reply to the Magistrate said that he was responsible for the keys of the grilles but the second engineer had charge of them, as well as the key of the oil tank.

It was witness's opinion that it was the regular thing to close the bunker hatches, and he could say definitely that he had seen them closed each time that he had inspected them. When the grilles were closed there was no need to close the two bunker hatch door. These doors, if closed, would complete the ship's defence.

The Sliding Doors

On the night of December 8 they came down with about 50 tons of coal. With that amount of coal in the bunker, it would be possible for the pirates to get down through the sliding doors.

The Magistrate then suggested that all that Mr. Andrews was concerned about on this point was to show that the pirates could have got in that way. They were not concerned with the responsibility for the closing of the doors.

Mr. Duxon agreed that when the debris were removed from the ship after its return to Hong Kong a hacksaw, in a charred condition, was found in the hatch. He suggested that this went to show that something was "really moving" that night, and that it was something intentional. One of his firemen had disappeared too—he was supposed to be dead.

The Hatches

In connection with the closing of the hatches, it might be mentioned here that at the last hearing Mr. Kewell was recalled and he then admitted that he had signed the standing orders referred to by Captain Farrar.

The next witness called this morning was Dr. A. Cannon, who deposed to holding a post mortem examination at 11 a.m., on December 9 on the body of a European male, aged about 32 years, who was identified to him by Mr. Duxon as F. K. Woodward.

Death was primarily due to a gunshot wound in the abdomen, and secondary to internal haemorrhage and shock. The approximate time of death was 30 hours before the post mortem. A bullet was found in the lower part of the body, jammed into the backbone.

The Fatal Bullet

The course of the bullet was first across the left arm, which showed that either the body was in a lying position at the time of entry, or the bullet was fired from above. It then entered the left side of the chest, and turned in through the diaphragm to the spleen and left kidney, finally lodging in the backbone. Such a wound was bound to be fatal.

The Guard's Death

At noon on the same day he performed a post mortem examination on the body of an Indian male, aged about 45, identified to him as that of Khal Singh. Death was primarily due to a gunshot wound in the abdomen, secondary to internal haemorrhage and shock.

The approximate time of death coincided with the history of the piracy of the Haiching—about 30 hours before the post mortem.

The direction of the bullet, which was a through-and-through one, was from left to right. It entered just below the lower rib on the left and ruptured the spleen and kidney, coming out on the right side, just above the haunch bone. The wound appeared to have been caused by a 38 bullet.

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DISORDER IN FUKIEN

Bandit General the Cause of Political Disorder

BRIGANDRY RIFE

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Amoy, January 28.

Militarism, communism, banditism, intolerance and jealousy combine to form the ingredients of the pot of political disorder which continues to seethe throughout Fukien. In the northern half of the Province, the contents of the pot have recently become so ebullient that its effervescence has burst off the lid. According to latest reports, the Minister of the Navy, Admiral Chen Kuei-liang, is now in Foochow endeavouring to readjust it.

General Lee Hsin-bang seems to be the fire under the pot causing the present over-boiling in Foochow. For many years he was a bandit in Northwest Fukien. When the Kuomintang invaded the North he was commissioned a Major-General by the Nationalist Government, and at the same time two of his brothers, Loo Hsin-ming and Loo Hsin-ing, were elevated to the rank of Brigadier Generals. This gave him a dominance in military circles which has since made Loo Hsin-bang a prominent factor in the politics of Fukien. It has enabled him to keep many of his influential followers in government offices throughout North Fukien, and to hold several of the most important posts in the Provincial Capital, such as Commissioner of Salt Revenue, which is the most important financial post held by Chinese within the Province, and membership in that important body, the Provincial Council.

The Troublesome Loo

This group of Provincial Councilors, appointed by the Nationalist Government in the fall of 1928, have met with much difficulty in dealing with the Loo party, and in carrying out decisions which ran counter to the wishes of Loo Hsin-bang's minions.

As a result of this situation, Ling Dee Hiong, said to be the brainiest member of this Council, conceived the idea of enlarging the small Provincial Constabulary into a division fully armed. This Constabulary, being subject to the orders of the Council, and being the only force which would take orders from it, contributed very much to its prestige and authority.

Sometime previous to the recent coup in Foochow, differences of opinion arose between the Defence Commissioner, Ling Tsung, and the Provincial Council. Reliable reports state that Ling Dee Hiong threatened to bring his entire Constabulary to Foochow and disarm the Defence Commissioner.

Leaders Urged to Revolt

In order to even the score in the settlement of these differences, the Defence Commissioner allied himself with the Loo Party, and prevailed upon the leaders to seize control of the Central Government of the Province, and imprison the leaders of the opposition, the enemies of the Loo Party, on the charge of being counter-revolutionists, secretly planning to unite the Left Wing, or more radical political elements of the Province, against the present Government under the leadership of the rather doubtful General Chang Chen, Defence Commissioner of the District of Changchow, and the strongest man in South Fukien. Plans were quietly laid and executed in Foochow, January 6, 1930, when an official dinner feast was surprised and broken up by the uninvited entry of soldiers who seized and carried away with them six important guests.

Storm of Opposition

Subsequent events indicate that the leaders of this raid thought themselves strong enough to compel recognition from the Civil Governor, Admiral Yang Shuchang, and the Authorities in Nanking, and thus gain the mastery over military affairs within the Province. However, their plans do not appear to have materialized as anticipated. A storm of opposition has arisen against them from all circles. Loo Hsin-bang seems to have found it a laborious task to convince the public and his superiors that his actions were justified. The result is a multitude of valuable and plausible excuses, mutual incriminating accusations, and subtle efforts to "pass the buck."

The Final Result

So involved and complicated is the situation that only those who are on the "inside" have a knowledge of what will be the final result. It is generally conceded, however, that compromises will be made, a few of the less desirable officials implicated will be ousted from office, and that a general reorganization of the Provincial Government will be made before a final adjustment is reached. Few doubt that any heads will be lost, as has been threatened by Loo Hsin-bang. When the Loo combination asserts

RED RIOTS

German Police Under Fire

BEATEN SENSELESS

Berlin, Yesterday.
Over 180 arrests were made during sporadic rioting by Communists throughout the city. The most serious trouble was in the Neukolln quarter.

The Communists demolished lamp posts, erected barricades and fired on the police, and the latter returning the fire. There is a strong force of police now working searchlights to prevent the demonstrators carrying out attacks in the darkness. The arrested include sixty ringleaders.

Four processions were broken up by the police, three of whom were seriously wounded in the Charlottenburg district and three others beaten senseless in the east end of the city.

Later.

Fifty demonstrators, led by two Communists, en route to Hamburg from Leubek, have been arrested.

Hamburg, Saturday.
The Communists, profiting by the distress amongst the 2½ million unemployed, organised militant demonstrations resulting in serious collisions with the Police. The latter used firearms and there were many injured on both sides. The Communists succeeded in inciting the unemployed to demonstrate in Berlin in spite of official prohibition.

Berlin, Saturday.
Seventy-six Leaders of the Communist Processions which were fixed for to-day were arrested yesterday night when the police raided a hall in which they were holding a meeting. A quantity of arms was found in the possession of the men, who were detained.—Reuter.

GENERAL SMUTS

London, Yesterday.
General Smuts sailed for South Africa from Southampton to-day.—Reuter.

ed itself in North Fukien, General Chang Chen was busily engaged in bandit suppression, or rather prevention, in the south western sections of the Province. Upon receiving news that he was being publicly anathematized and outlawed by Loo Hsin-bang, General Chang Chen immediately recalled his entire army, rapidly concentrating them at Changchow, leaving the outlying mountainous and bandit infested regions totally unprotected.

Pillage and Plunder

Availing themselves of the political disorders in Fukien, the famous leaders of the Communist Army, Che Te and Mou Tse-tung, who throughout the two years just past have been an open fester on the Kiangsi-Fukien border, retreated before the pressure of General Chin Han-ting of the Kiangsi Forces, and again entered Fukien occupying the important cities near the south western border of the Province. Already reports are being received of the usual waste and destruction, pillage and plunder, tyranny and bloodshed which follows the train of this savage and rapacious body of troops.

Thus continues the cycle of oppression, distress, despair, which the public must suffer. Each cycle is apparently worse than the former, and all the result of suspicion and jealousy, greed and selfishness, and the lack of patriotic co-operation on the part of public officials. A combined military leadership and civil administration closely co-operating for the public welfare rather than for personal gain and self emolument could make, within a few weeks, the larger part of this Province as safe as the streets of Shanghai.

During the last few years communications with the interior have been wonderfully improved by means of newly built automobile roads, which make possible the shifting of troops quickly. Few people know that a person is able to travel all the way from Amoy to Foochow, a distance of more than two hundred miles, via automobile roads connected with hundreds of miles of intersecting highways leading to other important places.

Roving Brigands

In South Fukien alone, approximately five hundred miles of such roads have already been completed, and others are in rapid progress of construction. However, due to roving bands of bandits and brigands who wander over the country at will, and who kidnap and plunder at their pleasure unmolested, but few of these highways are safe for general public use. These conditions will not be improved until there is closer co-operation, more honesty, greater integrity, and a higher type of patriotism amongst most of the leading public officials in all parts of the Province.

ACTING GOVERNOR

Hon. Mr. W. T. Southern Sworn In

"RESPONSIBLE DUTIES"

The Hon. Mr. W. T. Southern, C.M.G., has assumed the Administration, the oaths of office being administered by the Chief Justice, Sir Henry Gollan, in the Council Chamber at 1230 on Saturday.

Addressing the assembly, the Hon. Mr. Southern said:—
I thank you all for your attendance here to-day to witness this solemn ceremony and I trust that with your advice and co-operation I may be enabled properly to discharge the responsible duties of my office. I rejoice that I shall on this occasion, unlike the last period of my administration, enjoy the support and assistance of my wife who has so much at heart the interests of every section of the community.

A Moment of Sadness

I wish specially to thank His Honour the Chief Justice, who, accompanied by His Honour the Puisne Judge, has attended in person to administer the oaths with due form and ceremony.

We meet, gentlemen, at a moment of sadness when we have just said "Good-bye" to one who will be greatly missed in this Colony which he loved so well. It has been my privilege to be in the closest personal touch with Sir Cecil Clementi during the last three and a half years and no one can better realise his singleminded devotion to the welfare of this Colony. He has given of his best for Hong Kong and his best was good indeed.

Respectful Tribute

He has laid the whole Colony under a deep debt of gratitude which the Colony reciprocates with admiration and affection. I would add my own respectful tribute to a great administrator and a personal friend. In all his work Sir Cecil had the constant co-operation of Lady Clementi, who threw herself wholeheartedly into so many good causes. Her affections also were closely bound up with Hong Kong and she shares with Sir Cecil the regrets and good wishes which follow them on their way.

Regret and Appreciation

I know it will be your wish, Gentlemen, that I should telegraph to Sir Cecil and Lady Clementi bidding them farewell in the name of the Colony and wishing them all good fortune. With your concurrence I propose to send them the following telegram:—

"Sir Cecil Clementi—s.s. Mantua:—Executive and Legislative Councils, assembled for the swearing-in ceremony, desire in the name of the whole Colony to express to Lady Clementi and yourself their heartfelt regret at your departure, their deep appreciation of your devoted labours for the Colony's welfare, and their best wishes for a pleasant voyage and for every happiness and prosperity in Malaya."
—Southern."

Sir C. Clementi's Reply

The following cablegram, addressed to the Acting Governor, H.E. the Hon. Mr. W. T. Southern, C.M.G., was received on Saturday evening:—

"Warmest thanks to you and to the Executive and Legislative Councils for your delightful message of farewell."
—Clementi."

LESSON-SERMON

First Church of Christ, Scientist, Hong Kong

"Love" was the subject of the Lesson-Sermon in all Churches of Christ, Scientist, on Sunday, February 2.

The Golden Text was: "The Lord will command his loving-kindness in the daytime, and in the night his song shall be with me, and my prayer unto the God of my life" (Ps. 42: 8).

Among the citations which comprised the Lesson-Sermon was the following from the Bible: "For thus saith the Lord God: Behold, I, even I, will both search my sheep, and seek them out. I will feed them in a good pasture, and upon the high mountains of Israel shall they fold be: there shall they lie in a good fold, and in a fat pasture shall they feed upon the mountains of Israel. And ye my flock, the flock of my pasture, are men, and I am your God, saith the Lord God" (Ezek. 34: 11, 14, 31).

The Lesson-Sermon also included the following passages from "The Christian Science text-book," "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures," by Mary Baker Eddy: "The Jewish tribal Jehovah was a man-projected God, liable to wrath, repentance, and human changeableness. The Christian Science God is universal; eternal, divine Love, which changeth not and causeth no evil, disease, nor death" (p. 120).

WEDDING

Mr. L. G. Frost Marries in Tientsin

A PRETTY CEREMONY

The marriage of Mr. Leopold Gotley Frost, of Hong Kong, to Miss Marjorie Graham, of Tientsin, was solemnized on Saturday at the All Saints Church, Tientsin. The Rev. Munroe performed the ceremony.

There was a large number of friends present at the wedding. The bride, who was given away by her father, Mr. T. J. Graham, was charmingly attired in chiffon velvet and lace with veil of embroidered tulle and orange blossom. She carried a bouquet of white and pink carnations.

Miss Thelma Graham and Miss Maide Warren were the bridesmaids and the flower girl was Miss Claire Graham. They were dressed in blue chiffon velvet and tulle and all wore wreaths of blue flowers and leaves. They carried bouquets of daisies.

The page boys were Masters Allan Taylor and Michael Lambie. Although the ceremony was timed at 2 p.m., many friends had gathered at the doorway of the church long before the time. The Church was suitably decorated with flowers, and the choir was formed by a troop of rangers and girl guides, with which Movement the bride had been associated for many years.

A guard of honour and a mounted escort were also provided by the mounted section of the Tientsin Volunteer Corps.

The duties of best man were discharged by Mr. W. E. Holland of Shanghai, and the groomsmen were Messrs. E. C. Leighton, L. J. Coulcher, H. Wasser and R. R. Johnston. A reception was held at the bride's residence, No. 41 Kailan Lane, after the ceremony at the church, where a large number of friends gathered to offer their felicitations.

The honeymoon is being spent in Peking and Shanghai.

OFFICIAL APPOINTMENTS

The Hong Kong Government Gazette (extraordinary) published on Saturday contained the following appointments:—

The Hon. Mr. W. T. Southern, Companion of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, has, by virtue of the provisions of the Letters Patent passed under the Great Seal of the United Kingdom constituting the office of Governor and Commander-in-Chief of the Colony of Hong Kong and providing for the Government thereof, to-day assumed the administration of the Government of the Colony on the departure of His Excellency the Governor, and has taken the prescribed oaths.

His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government has been pleased to appoint Mr. Edwin Richard Hallifax, C.M.G., C.B.E., to act as Colonial Secretary, with effect from this date.

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TACOMA MARU	Friday, 21st February.
KEELUNG—Via Swatow & Amoy.	Sunday, 9th February, noon.
HOZAN MARU	Sunday, 16th February, noon.
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TAKAO—Via Swatow & Amoy.	Thursday, 13th February, 10 a.m.
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[By A Naval Architect]
To those of us who knew old Portsmouth several years ago, the longshoremen who smoked their pipes alongside the railings of the "Hard," and solicited us to take a trip in their boats round the Victory, provided one of the real sights of the old place. The Admiralty decision which originally caused Nelson's flagship to be moored in the harbour at a convenient distance from the famous "Hard," provided a regular means of livelihood for these queer old warriors, and it must have been a great shock to them when it was at last decided to bring her into the Dockyard and permanently berth her in one of the smaller docks. No visitor to the Yard ever fails to go aboard the Victory, this usually being the principal "draw" to those innumerable parties of visitors from all over the country whom one invariably sees inspecting the Yard at all times of the year.

Staunch and famous, eighteenth century wooden wall of old England, she lies proudly in her final resting place in the dock nearest to the main gate leading from the "Hard." With her new coat of paint and her original guns laid out all around her, she is undoubtedly the chief attraction to the visitor, notwithstanding the numerous wonderful and complex examples of modern science to be seen near by in the shape of battleships of the latest design, cruisers, destroyers, submarine, etc. No doubt most of these visitors contribute their small share to the box which is placed alongside for the purpose of raising funds for upkeep, and in return, are allowed to take away with them a little ship of "Victory Oak" as a memento of the occasion.

Relics of the Old

A few yards away, one can visit the Dockyard Museum, where relics of the old and the new navies are to be seen in juxtaposition, but with the "atmosphere" of the former pervading everything. A typical instance of the old is to be seen in a striking figure head of H.M.S. Tremendous, which the guide book tells us was of 1,656 tons burthen, of 74 guns, and carried 600 men; she was built in the year 1784, and was present at the famous action of the "Glorious First of June," when Lord Howe gained his memorable victory. This old vessel was broken up as recently as 1897.

Or, (shades of the Falkland Islands) a hull model of H.M.S. Kent, 3rd rate, 70 guns, built in 1679. Took part in the battle of La Hogue, 1692, in the destruction of the French convoy off Granville in 1703, the battle of Malaga, &c., &c. Taken to pieces in 1721, she was rebuilt in 1724.

Or again, a relic of more modern times, a coat of arms which was over the cabin of H.R.H. the Prince of Wales (afterwards H.M. King Edward VII) in H.M.S. Scylla during his visit to India. (How frequently one comes across these terms of H.M. down here; it is exactly what one would expect, however, for everyone seems to live in an atmosphere of His Majesty's service in this famous old naval port.

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It was also placed over the cabin of H.R.H. the Princess of Wales (now H.M. Queen Mary) in H.M.S. Renown during her visit with H.R.H. the Prince of Wales (now H.M. King George V) to India in 1905. Also carried by H.M.S. Renown and H.M.S. Repulse when conveying H.R.H. the present Prince of Wales to India, 1921-1922, and South America in 1925 respectively.

Actions Almost Forgotten

The visitor can spend hours in this quaint old museum; he can see relics of ships which fought with H.R.H. the Prince of Wales, and a host of other admirals, at Trafalgar, Copenhagen, The Nile, at Walcheren, and numerous actions both historic and almost forgotten except in official records.

He can see a small piece of wood saved from the ill-fated Captain, which sank in the Bay of Biscay with a loss of 632 lives, and not far away the skull of a Solomon Islander with neck ornament taken from a cannibal temple in Malaita Island. He can see relics from China, Africa, America, West Indies, South Sea Islands, and in fact, from every quarter of the globe. And again he can see a model of the famous battleship which revolutionised modern naval construction, the Dreadnought, laid down 2nd October, 1905, launched 10th February, 1906, by H.M. King Edward VII.

Finally, he can see a steel plate which is all that remains of H.M.S. Audacious, that fine battleship which was launched at Cammell Laird's yard at Birkenhead in 1912, shortly after Sir George Carter took charge. As is now well known, she struck a mine on October 27, 1914, and after 12 hours had to be abandoned. H.M.S. Liverpool was standing by at a distance of about 1,000 yards when an explosion occurred, and this plate was blown out of the bottom of the Audacious and landed on the upper deck of the Liverpool, killing one man (at least, that is what the guide book tells us).

Established 700 Years

It is from this same book that one learns that the dockyard has been established 700 years, the first recorded reference thereto being an order from King John in 1212 for a wall (probably of mud) to be built round the docks, and for sheds to be erected for the preservation of rigging and other ship's gear. It was not, however, until over 200 years later that the establishment assumed anything like important proportions, it being in the year 1495 that the first dry dock was commenced.

The wages paid to the workmen engaged at the dock in the year 1524 are on record, and do not apparently support the oft-quoted view that low wages mean dissatisfaction, for we learn that the master carpenter, one Robert Denny, was paid 6d a day, carpenters and sawyers 4d a day, certain labourers received 3d a day, and others 2d. In addition each man was allowed 1s a week for food. The shipwrights received from 5d to 8d, according to their skill, whilst the surveyor, one John West, received a weekly wage of 3s, and yet these Government workers did not strike for more. Presumably as the purchasing power of money was very considerably greater than at the present day, these wages were sufficiently handsome to enable the men to live comfortably, if not luxuriously.

No Money for Wages

They do appear to have objected on occasion, however, for difficulty arose in 1669 and 1665; on this latter one, they seem to have had genuine grounds for a grievance, grounds which to-day would doubtless be considered sufficient for trade union action, for it is naively stated that the grievance was on account of "there not being any money available to pay their wages."

To return, however, to the old Victory. Most people with any pretensions to a knowledge of naval history would be able to say where she was built and the approximate year, but she is probably the only one of the old wooden walls associated with the name of Nelson, whose birth-place is known to the average student of such history. Next to the Victory, perhaps, the Agamemnon is better known than any other of Nelson's ships, and it was only by chance that the present writer learnt the whereabouts of the establishment where she was built.

Voyagers by sea from the port of Southampton have an approximate idea of the geography and topography of the Isle of Wight, Southampton Water, and the outskirts of the New Forest, but not many, other than solvent yachtmen, know much about the windings and scenery of the beautiful Beaulieu river; this small stream comes into the Solent a few miles west of Calshot, but its mouth is scarcely

visible to other than the experienced eye, so difficult is it to see any opening in the land until one gets quite close up.

"Bucklers Hard"

At the head of this small river lies Beaulieu with its historic abbey, an old world village nestling amongst some of the most picturesque surroundings that are to be found in the whole of Britain; about four miles or so down from Beaulieu, a small meadow terminating in a wooden pier, with some two dozen houses on the shore side, forms a district which is known by the name of "Bucklers Hard."

Visited only by yachtmen, picnickers and a few people who know its history, this place marks the site of what was during the Napoleonic wars, one of the most important shipbuilding centres in Britain.

Brought into being by John, second Duke of Montagu, who desired to encourage shipbuilding as a local industry, the three famous line-of-battle ships Agamemnon, Swiftsure, and Euryalus, all of which fought at Trafalgar, were built here; even had the old yard built nothing else, the construction of these three alone would have been sufficient to make the name of Bucklers Hard famous.

Local Family Name

The name "Bucklers," we learn, is probably derived from a local family who lived there for generations, and the reason for its development as a port was because the Duke of Montagu 160 years ago, owned a sugar-producing island in the West Indies, and as ships could sail from the Beaulieu at times when it was impossible to do so from Bristol or the Thames on account of being wind-bound at these places, he decided to develop the place. The duke offered special terms to a firm from Southampton on the east side of Southampton Water, called Wyatt and Co., to start a shipyard at Bucklers Hard, and in September, 1743, they commenced operations.

Their first war vessel was the Surprise, of 24 guns, launched in 1745, to be followed by the Scorpion and Woolwich in 1746 and 1749 respectively. They subsequently built bigger vessels, and in the year 1781 they launched the ship which was to become closely associated with Lord Nelson, the Agamemnon. A Mr. Henry Adams was the overseer for the building of warships at Bucklers Hard for many years, and appears to have been a very well-known shipbuilder, for in Lord Montagu's book a quotation from the Salisbury and Winchester Journal is given, which stated, in connection with the launch of the illustrious, of 74 guns, in July, 1789:—"This makes the twenty-first of the line that Mr. Adams has built at Bucklers Hard, besides which he has built as many more at other places." His Majesty King George III. paid a state visit to Beaulieu whilst the illustrious was on the stocks, and it is reported that she fired a salute of 21 guns in his honour whilst still on dry

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land, a circumstance probably without parallel in our naval annals, says Lord Montagu.

Last Government Vessel
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All the former glory of the old place has, however, departed, and only hollows in a meadow and by the waterside tell where the "top and bottom" sawyers laboured. Lord Montagu's book says that the site of the mould loft in the lower yard can still be pointed out, but the blacksmith's shop, which only ceased operations in the year 1885, is no more. The last of the Bucklers went away with its disappearance, to settle down as a repairer of agricultural implements and

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KALYAN	9,144	15th Feb.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
TILAWA	10,000	20th Feb.	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
TALAMBA	8,018	21st Feb.	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
RAWALPINDI	16,619	28th Feb.	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
TAKADA	6,949	7th Mar.	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
ST. ALBANS	4,500	11th Mar.	Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama.
MAIWA	10,000	14th Mar.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
*NAGORE	5,233	17th Mar.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
TALMA	10,000	22nd Mar.	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
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The accused was a lodger in the complainant's hut and on the day in question a basket of clothing was missing, as was accused. The latter returned and told the woman that he had taken the clothing to pawn, and would redeem them later. But that promise he failed to carry out. On Chinese New Year, he was arrested by the complainant at Kowloon City and charged.

The Magistrate held that the complainant should have taken action quicker. Meantime he would take into consideration the accused's frank owning up of his offence.

A fine of \$10 or fourteen days' jail with hard labour, was imposed.

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A Chinese, who came down from Canton to pay his respects to his relatives at the Chinese New Year, was at the Kowloon Magistracy to-day brought before Mr. Whyte-Smith charged with (a) disobeying traffic signals in Wuhu Street, and (b) offering a bribe of 20 cents to an Indian policeman.

The defendant frankly admitted both charges. He said that he had hired a bicycle for an hour to go round wishing his people "kung hay, kung hay."

Mr. Whyte-Smith remarked that it was not much fun hiring a bicycle for an hour and riding it among the crowds in Wuhu Street and places like that. There was no pleasure in it, so far as his Worship could see.

On the first charge the defendant was fined \$5, while a caution was registered on the second, the Magistrate reminding him that it was a very dangerous thing to offer bribes to a policeman.

Sergeant Gilling pointed out that the defendant gave the 20 cents to the policeman with the words "Yun chaa" (drink tea), and when brought to the station the defendant told the Police that that was the custom in Canton.

Political and social improvements in the status of women in the Balkan countries are reported. Municipal suffrage to women over 30 who can read and write has been conceded in Greece, while polygamy is now forbidden in Yugoslavia.

Another war between France and Germany within two years is prophesied by M. Leon Daudet, the Royalist deputy, who is soon to return to Paris after his exile in Brussels.

HONG KONG TIDE

The tide-table given below has been obtained by aid of the Tide-predicting Machine, which includes 40 components for the better prediction of tides, from the result of the analysis of the tidal observations, taken at the Kowloon tidal observatory under the direction of Dr. Deberck during the years 1887, 1888 and 1889.

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The times of high and low-water must not be considered to coincide with the times of slack-water and change of current, the two phenomena being quite distinct.

February 3 to 9, 1930.

DATE	HIGH WATER	LOWER WATER
Feb.	Standard Times	Standard Times
Mon. 2	0 18 a	4 5 m
Tues. 3	0 18 a	4 5 m
Wed. 4	0 18 a	4 5 m
Thurs. 5	0 18 a	4 5 m
Fri. 6	0 18 a	4 5 m
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Tian via S'ow & S'hai	FOOSHING	Wed., 12th Feb. at 7 a.m.
Osaka via Amoy, Moji & KUTSANG	—	Tues., 11th Feb. at 7 a.m.
Osaka via Amoy, Moji & YUENSANG	—	Tues., 18th Feb. at 7 a.m.
Osaka via Amoy, Moji & SUISSANG	—	Wed., 26th Feb. at 7 a.m.
S'ow, Penang & Calcutta	HOSANG	Thurs., 13th Feb. at 3 p.m.
S'ow, Penang & Calcutta	KUMSANG	Tues., 18th Feb. at 3 p.m.
Sandakan	HINSANG	Thurs., 6th Feb. at Noon
Sandakan	MAUSANG	Mon., 24th Feb. at 3 p.m.
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DEPARTURES

P. & O. s.s. Mantua for Singapore, Marseilles, Gibraltar, Plymouth and London on February 1:—

F. J. Abbot, W. R. Agus, Mrs. G. T. Anderson and infant, A. Ali, Rev. and Mrs. C. I. Blanchett, J. C. Brown, Capt. and Mrs. J. M. Byrne and two children, A. E. Baedeker, Mrs. D. M. Bradley and infant, A. T. Bralley, H.E. Sir Cecil Clementi, K.C.M.G., Lady Clementi, Miss A. Clementi, Capt. and Mrs. A. Cave, Group Capt. Cave Brown Cave, R.A.F., J. Cave, Mrs. E. B. Charig, Miss A. M. Cullinan, Mrs. K. M. Corvan, P. J. Condon, R. T. S. Durston, Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Fraser, Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Field and family, Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Fuggle and son, Miss J. H. Ferris, J. C. Fletcher, Major and Mrs. H. T. Guest, Mrs. C. D. Goldman, E. D. Groves, Miss George, R. A. Hall, Col. G. H. R. Halland, K. Hockey, Mr. and Mrs. F. Hoare and son, Mrs. S. K. Horn, C. H. James, Sir James Jamieson, K.C.M.G., B. H. Jones, E. Kaufmann, H. L. Lockhart, Mrs. F. H. Lowe, Miss H. Lowe, Capt. and Mrs. W. J. Larier and two infants, Mrs. E. M. Lornie, Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Morley and sons, A. McNay, R. E. Magnusson, H. Major, G. R. Moore, M. and Mrs. F. C. Neville and child, Mr. and Mrs. W. Old and infant, Miss J. G. Old, Mrs. M. C. Potts, Miss de P. Peyssard, T. W. Sturton, Mr. and Mrs. S. Sharrock and infant, Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Saker, E. Schwenger, C. D. Stewart, H. Stringer, W. N. A. Smalley, Capt. F. G. Sillitoe, R.M., Miss M. I. Thomas, H. Thorpe, Mrs. R. K. Valentine, Miss J. L. Vincent, Rev. and Mrs. H. A. Whittenbach, Mrs. G. A. F. Weyms and three children, Miss Wright, Mr. and Mrs. N. Watson, Miss M. A. Wilson, W. J. Waddington, L. Walton, A. D. Wyllie.

WARSHIPS IN PORT

British warships in port this morning were:—

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No. 13 Buoy: "Clelia."

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The C.P.S. R.M.S. Empress of Asia arrived at Shanghai on January 31 (Fri.) at 1.30 p.m., left Shanghai on February 1 (Sat.) at 10 a.m., and was due at Hong Kong to-day (Mon.) at 10 a.m. She leaves Hong Kong for Manila to-day (Mon.) at 5 p.m. The E. & A. s.s. Tanda left Manila for this port on January 31, p.m., with the outward Australian Mails, and was due here this morning.

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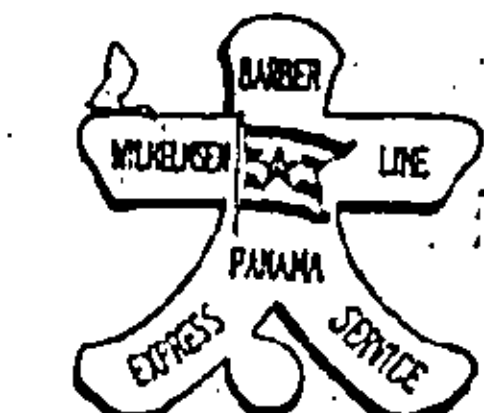
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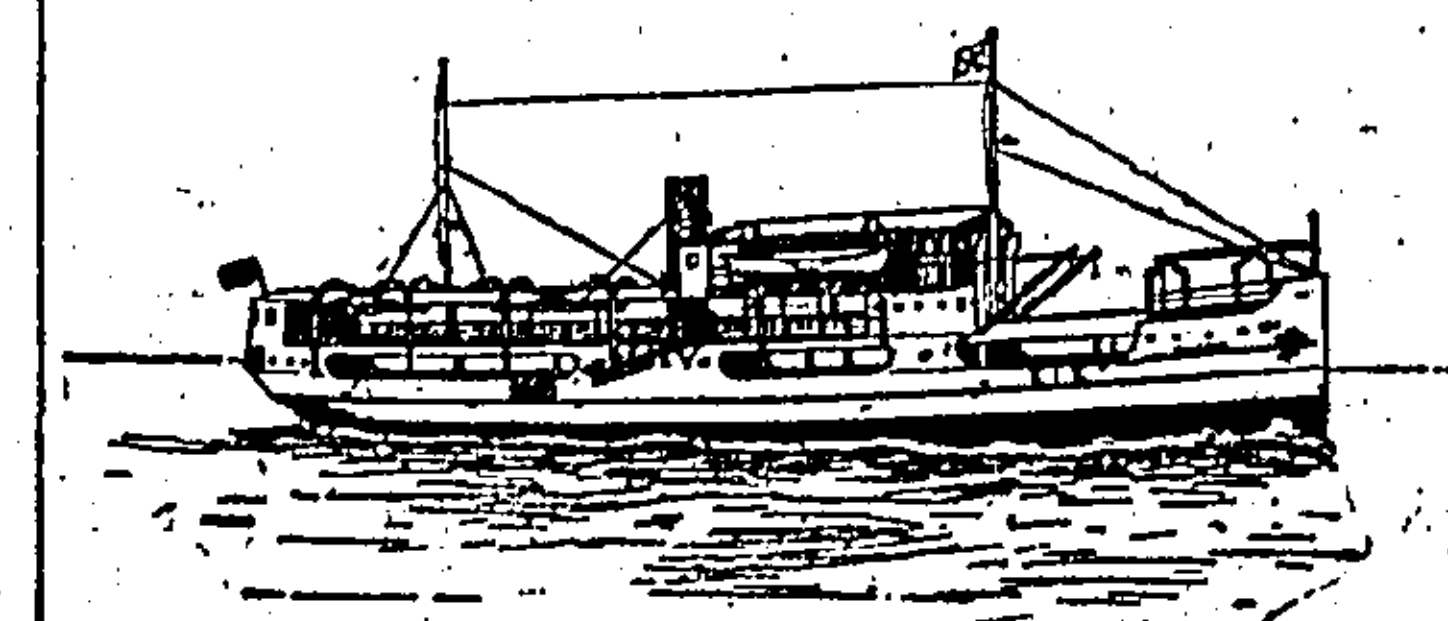
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A NON-STOP RUN

For some reason unknown to us out here no successor has yet been appointed to His Excellency Sir Cecil Clementi, and it looks as if the Hon. Mr. W. T. Southorn will be entrusted with the task of administering the Government for a comparatively long period. Of his ability to acquit himself most ably the community has not the slightest doubt, having had previous experience of his worth in this same office. That being so, the Colony should not permit itself to be influenced by that unsettled feeling that so often becomes so prominent between the departure of one Governor and the arrival of his successor. With a few exceptions, which need not be laboured at this juncture, the policies of Sir Cecil Clementi were policies on which practical unanimity prevailed amongst all sections of the community. Indeed rarely has a Governor quitted office here with so few "kicks" coming from the entire community which has ever been most cordial on its bestowal of "ha-pence".

These being what the legal fraternity would describe as "admitted facts" there is nothing to hinder the Government continuing on its non-stop run of progressive policies in the real interests of the Colony. There is much to be done in every Government Department. There is work to be completed. There are new programmes to be initiated when finances permit. Nothing can be permitted to come even to a temporary halt until such time as the Colonial Office at home reaches a

decision in regard to the substantial post of Governor. The legacy left for His Excellency the Hon. Mr. Southorn is rich in every respect, with no "traps" and few pitfalls. As he has been given solid and concrete support on previous occasions the Officer Administering the Government can ever rely on the fullest co-operation of the Press and the public. He has already gained the utmost confidence and trust of every section. He himself would be the last to suggest staying the Government's hand under the circumstances under which he assumes the reins. The course is a clear-cut one, with not the slightest need to mark time for the mere sake of marking time.

It would be superfluous here to outline the most pressing demands for continuity of Government action. The Colony must go on as if Sir Cecil Clementi were still here—that, indeed, would be our departed Governor's own wish. And that must be the wish of all who so heartily associated themselves with the paeons of praise bestowed on Sir Cecil's regime at Government House.

News in Brief

The late Major Edward Bamford, V.C., of H.M.S. Tamar, Instructor of Small Arms at Hong Kong, left £986, net personalty £984.

At to-morrow's meeting of the Sanitary Board the President will submit a minute relative to the offensive trade of feather dying at Kay Shek Mi.

For the theft of some clothing from a house at Cedar Street, a Chinese was at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning fined \$5 with the option of one week's hard labour.

Mr. Harry Odell, a member of the local Stock Exchange, returned to Hong Kong on Saturday by the s.s. President Grant from Shanghai. He was accompanied by his wife.

Telegraphic communications between Peking and Hankow, which have been interrupted for some time, were resumed on January 31, says a Canton News Agency message from Peking.

Seen taking some clothing from the back lane in Woo Sung Street, a Chinese was arrested, and at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning was fined \$10 or two weeks' hard labour in default.

Charged with being cruel to two pigs, a Chinese coolie failed to appear before Mr. T. S. Whyte-Smith at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, and subsequently had his bail of \$10 forfeited.

The evidence against him being insufficient, a Chinese who was charged with the theft of two pieces of wood at Tai Nam Street was at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning discharged by Mr. Whyte-Smith.

On admitting that he had wasted water at a street fountain in Sai Kung Road, a Chinese vegetable gardener, who said he was a new comer, was at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning fined \$1.

A fire broke out at about 6.45 p.m. yesterday on the roof of 63, Third Street, but the blaze was extinguished by the occupants of the house before the arrival of the Fire Brigade. Little damage was done.

A pleasant Social Hour was spent by members of the congregation of St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon, and their friends, in the Church Hall, after evening service yesterday. The Vicar presided, while Mr. Bates, Miss McGill and Mrs. Robson rendered songs.

The next concert at the Helena May Institute on February 6, is organised by Mrs. O. C. Womack and will include "The Golden Threshold" an Indian Song Garland for four voices. Music by Lizar Lehmann and words by the Indian poet Sorajini Naidu.—Adv.

Mr. I. H. M. McReady, of 521, Conduit Road, figured in a motor accident in the city yesterday morning. He was driving his car out of Duddell Street into Queen's Road, when he was struck broadside by another private car. Both cars were damaged by the impact, but the drivers luckily escaped injury.

A fine of \$3 was imposed on an unemployed Chinese at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning for gambling at pai kau in the compound of the Hung Hom Market. It was stated that there were several others who indulged in the game but they managed to run away. The money collected, \$1.53 was ordered to be confiscated.

POLICE RESERVE

Orders for the Current Week

Orders by the Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe, C.M.G., Inspector-General of Police, states:—

Flying Squad

The weekly instructional patrol of the Kowloon Section will take place to-morrow. Fall in at the Tsim-tsa-tui Fire Brigade Station at 5.30 p.m. sharp. Dress—Winter uniform and cap with white cover.

The weekly instructional patrol of the Hong Kong Section will take place on Friday. Fall in at the Central Police Station at 6.15 p.m. sharp. Dress—Winter uniform and cap with white cover.

Sharpshooters' Company

Rifle Instruction. Rifle Instruction will be given each afternoon at the office of the O. I. Company, Fire Station Building, from 5 to 5.45 p.m. during the next four weeks. All members not previously attached to the Volunteer Defence Corps or any similar organisation should attend with rifles.

(Sgd.) W. KENT, A.S.P.
Adjutant.

SHAM SCIENCE OF TO-DAY

CRITICS' FALLACIES

[By Sir Charles Marston, Lay Member of the Church Assembly]

THIRTY years ago one of our then leading scientists wrote to his sister that at last mankind knew about all there was to be known of the laws of Nature, and there was no room left for "miracles."

The science of to-day rejects such cut-and-dried conclusions; it smiles at them, and it more than hints at the possibility of miracles. Two quotations from one of the newest and most authoritative books on science will suffice to illustrate and to prove these contentions. I select them from a book called "The Nature of the Physical World," written by Professor Eddington.

So far from his knowledge of the laws of Nature being complete, this Gifford Lecturer writes that "we have turned a corner in the path of progress, and our ignorance stands revealed before us, appalling and insistent."

And, again, after describing the scientific problems involved when one merely enters a room, he remarks, "Verily, it is easier for a camel to pass through the eye of a needle, than for a scientific man to pass through a door."

Thus to-day Science confesses that even the simple acts of everyday life are more or less inexplicable, and so partake of the nature of miracles.

Now the modernist attitude towards the Bible assumes that mankind in general, and he in particular, possesses a fairly complete knowledge of the laws of Nature and there is no room for miracles. But this is simply a reflection of the scientific beliefs of thirty years ago. Unlike the physicist, the modernist "has not yet turned a corner in the path of progress." He is seeking to impose upon a generation eager for the truth conclusions based upon assumptions regarding the laws of Nature which are to-day utterly discredited.

It is true that during these past thirty years excavations in Palestine, in Egypt, and in Mesopotamia (Iraq) have improved our knowledge of Bible history and of ancient languages, but the gaps are still enormous. And the results of the excavations that have been made are by no means favourable to Modernism. We know now that the art of writing on clay tablets was in fairly general use thousands of years before the time of Abraham, and that even shorthand probably goes back to the time of our Lord. Six thousand-year-old clay writings from Mesopotamia, which Dr. Langdon, of Oxford, found and deciphered, indicate that the earliest religion there was Monotheism, just as the Book of Genesis tells us.

Both Dr. Langdon at Kish, and Mr. Woolley at Ur-of-the-Chaldees, declare that they have found evidence of the Flood. Professor Garstang has recently discovered important evidence in confirmation of both the Book of Joshua and the Book of Judges. Sir Flinders Petrie finds at Gerar, in South Palestine evidence that Genesis xxvi. and Judges viii. were written by contemporaries of the events there recorded.

The superb ornaments found in the tomb of Tut-Ankh-Amen in Egypt, which date back to within a century of Moses, go to confirm all that is written in the Book of Exodus about the ornaments of the Tabernacle. And so it goes on.

I do not suggest that the whole Bible, as we read it in our authorised version to-day, is correct word for word and letter for letter. Like Shakespeare's works, which are only 300 years old and written in our own language, the Bible contains passages which we do not understand, and which have probably been either incorrectly transcribed or translated. But, as we contemplate mankind's present "appalling and insistent ignorance" of the law of nature, of ancient history, and of ancient languages, so the confident and cut-and-dried methods and conclusions of modernism lose their effectiveness. They become wearisome, trivial, and even childish.

We need far surer knowledge than we yet possess before we can criticise the Bible. The rising generation must not be misled by a sham science called modernism.

THE S.S. BRAALAND

Steamer Probably to Be Abandoned

The Norwegian ship Braaland, which went on the rocks off the Paracels, is now believed to be a total wreck.

On enquiry made this morning at the offices of her local agents—Messrs. Karlson and Larsen—the *China Mail* was informed that all efforts to tow her off the rocks have proved fruitless, and it is quite likely that she will be given up as a total loss. Her officers and crew are thinking of abandoning the ship.

Ten Years Ago

[From the "China Mail,"
February 3, 1920.]

The dollar to-day is worth 5/5½d.

The Chamber of Commerce organised a meeting at the City Hall last night, addresses being given by members of the American Aerial Commission and by Sir Arthur W. Brown. The result was that a proposal to form an aviation Club was enthusiastically agreed to.

MEN, WOMEN, AND AFFAIRS

The Price Of A Suit: An All-Oxford Production: Repairs To Somerset House: Rain Spoils Sport: The Hospitable Greeks: Los Angeles In The 'Eighties

Savile Row or the City?

A law suit in London raises the question of what the average man of—shall we say?—normal social position pays for suits of another kind.

Some people will possibly be surprised to learn from this case that a Savile Row tailor should make a lounge suit for as little as eight guineas. In point of fact, the usual prices range from ten to fourteen or even sixteen guineas.

The price alters according to the types of material chosen, and many firms allow a surprisingly large discount for cash—or add an equally surprising amount for long credit.

But since the war plenty of men, whom one would instinctively associate with Savile Row, Bond Street, or Conduit Street, either buy their clothes from firms in the City or get a little repairing tailor to fix up a suit for them at anything from six to nine guineas.

Several repairing tailors have been previously employed by first-class establishments, take infinite care with a customer's order, and far more often than not, make a thoroughly good job of it.

A Novel Matinee

THE work in aid of the Oxford Preservation Trust, in which the Vice-Chancellor of the University and Sir Michael Sadler are actively in-

terested, is to be furthered shortly by a matinee at the Haymarket Theatre, which will be of a rather remarkable nature.

Only Oxford men will appear—and the number of professional actors who are thus qualified is now very large—and not a word will be spoken, nor a bar of music played that has not been written or composed by an Oxford man.

Repairs to Somerset House

SOMERSET House is at present smothered in scaffolding on the Strand side. But there is no cause for alarm, as there was some years ago, when cracks were found to exist in the southern front and the whole edifice was supposed to be slipping into the Thames.

The scaffolding is only for minor repairs, and incidentally for cleaning purposes, for the old building presents a dingy appearance in the very aspect which is seen by most people.

Those who are hoping that Somerset House may suddenly collapse in ruins, and bury all traces of income-tax owing, have no grounds for optimism. It is one of London's most solid and secure mansions.

Shootings Washed Out

ONE effect of the recent heavy rains has been to render it impossible for the majority of sporting landowners to shoot over their coverts, although, in many cases, these were well stocked with birds that year.

A typical example is that of the Earl of Fitzwilliam, who annually rents a strata-rate shoot in Yorkshire, off which he may justifiably expect to get 6,000 pheasants.

His lease has almost expired, and up to now, he has not been able to have a single day's shooting.

By Contrast

IN contrast with our own depressing weather, it was cheering to read a letter from a friend now on a business visit to Athens, who says that he was sitting in his shirt-sleeves on the verandah of his hotel as he wrote, and that the heat was almost excessive.

Lucky, indeed, are those whose business takes them on such trips! Incidentally, he remarks on the wonderful hospitality of the Greeks, which, in its most popular variety, apparently takes the form of the parties, which begin at 4.30, subsequently passing through the phases of aperitifs and elaborate hors d'oeuvres, and thence to dinner, the whole affair lasting until 10.30 or 11 p.m.

"The Mikado" in Los Angeles

SO accustomed are we nowadays to look upon Los Angeles as the last word in civilisation and luxury that it is difficult to imagine what it was like in the "eighties," when Sullivan visited the place for the production there of "The Mikado" (revived at the Savoy). The humorously intimate relationship between judge, criminal, and executioner in the play found a place in the local life, while the place was being played there. A man had committed a murder, had been tried and sentenced to death. The judge, sheriff, and executioner were one and the same man—a "Pook-Bah" figure.

When it was time to die the murderer was playing a game of cards, and asked the judge, "If he might finish it," "Pook-Bah" not only gave permission but took a hand in the game, and when it was over duly hanged his man.

Sir Arthur often used to tell this story.

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INFLUENZA GERM

Bacteriologist Claims to Have Found It
TESTS ON MONKEYS

Research With 18 Assistants: Vaccine Cure Hope

A WORLD PLAGUE

An American bacteriologist, Professor Isadore S. Falk, of Chicago University, claims to have isolated the germ of influenza and reproduced the disease in monkeys.

He hopes as a result to secure a vaccine by which cures of the disease may be effected.

Influenza and the common cold are two afflictions about which we know practically nothing and which we have no means of preventing. If Professor Falk's discovery has a solid foundation it is of world-wide importance.

Three years ago Drs. David and Robert Thomson, the Harley Street bacteriologists, isolated what may be the same germ and have since been carrying out further researches.

A YEAR'S TASK

Professor Falk began his search for the influenza germ on December 12, 1928, during the height of an epidemic.

Various experts of Chicago University's bacteriological department were mobilised (said to number 18). They gathered specimens and isolated and tested more than 3,800 different microbes in the first six weeks, gradually reducing them to eight general types. They used more than 125 monkeys for their experiments.

Now Professor Falk has announced at a meeting of the Bacteriology Club of the university that he has isolated the germ—a "streptococcus" which is described as a virulent species of microbe.

The professor said that it looked like "a microscopic chain of unmatched beads which a child had strung together."

"We hope," he added, "to be able to perfect a vaccine from dead microbes of the germ which may be absorbed through the mucous membrane of the nose and throat and thus effect a cure."

Professor Falk warns people that they must not expect too much from the discovery.

"Chain-Microbe" & Blood-Poisoning
Influenza, so far as our present knowledge extends, is like a very severe cold which poisons the whole system.

About once in every quarter of a century it is suddenly changed into a devastating plague which sweeps the world. The most recent of such "pandemics" (or world-wide plagues) was the one which occurred in the winter of Armistice year, when there were more than 114,000 deaths in Britain. To date this year in England and Wales there have been 14,843.

The cause of this increased severity appears to be that for some reason at present unknown the streptococcus, or "chain-microbe," which is the cause of many virulent infections such as erysipelas, jumps in and hits the body when it is down.

Whatever the primary cause of influenza may be (and modern bacteriologists are not at all convinced that it is the alleged "Bacillus Influenzae" of Pfeiffer), the fact remains that it is comparatively innocuous until its "big brother," the streptococcus, joins in.

A Killer

The streptococcus is certainly the cause of the intense blood poisoning which occurs in severe cases during what may be termed the plague years. It is capable of causing a virulent and fatal type of broncho-pneumonia. It transforms influenza from a pat into a punch. It is a killer.

Probably the fact that the King had been undergoing a course of vaccine treatment against it after his illness in 1926 played its part in his wonderful recovery from his more recent illness, which was due to a streptococcal infection.

The streptococcus which has been discovered may well be the same germ as was isolated by Dr. David Thomson and his brother in London three years ago. But to say that it is found in influenza patients is not proof enough that it is the cause of the disease. The medical profession of Britain has not yet accepted the theory that it is.

Influenza takes so many forms that even exact diagnosis is always difficult. Until that is possible laboratory tests must be hampered.

"Vital Importance"
Dr. David Thomson, the Harley Street bacteriologist, who with his brother, Dr. Robert Thomson, isolated an influenza germ three years ago and has been carrying out further researches since, said to a reporter:

"I think that Professor Falk may very probably be right, and that his discoveries may prove to be of vital importance. It is, of course, not possible to give a reasoned opinion without reading the full details of what he has accomplished."

I see that Professor Falk has used 125 monkeys in the course of his task. Research work on that scale has never been done before and such experiments are very valuable. Work has been done with rabbits, but monkeys appear to be far more satisfactory for the purpose.

I see, too, that he has been working in collaboration with a group of 18 people. This is also very important, because it is not possible for one person to find enough time to carry out all the necessary work.

Preparing the Vaccine
It will take some time to establish definitely that the streptococcus discovered is indeed that of influenza. If it is found that it has been isolated, it will be possible to prepare from it a vaccine which should prevent people from having the complaint.

During the last three years I have been carrying out researches by a new method altogether. I have been trying to get at the streptococcus by photographing cultures of my sputum. I have kept records of my sputum when in perfect health and also when suffering from an attack of influenza. I have found that the streptococcus I isolated three years ago has cropped up when I have been suffering from an attack of influenza.

I saw it in the sputum of a person who had an attack of influenza.

I have just recovered from an attack of influenza and I am very interested to see what the photographs of my sputum show. I have been waiting for this attack for nine months—I suppose I might say that I almost welcomed it.

The task of finding the influenza germ is very difficult, as so many varieties of streptococcus are normally found in a human being. That is why it took so long to discover the germ of scarlet fever.

to complain that they were victimised by Imperial policy. They have struggled gamely against long periods of adversity and have found ways to advance, however difficult the circumstances."

Lord Burnham's Tribute

Another tribute was sent by Viscount Burnham stating:—
"When I visited the West Indies six years ago I entered the Archipelago by way of the beauties of the Bahamas, and my first view of the historic sea garden was from the sea front of Nassau. Coming south by ocean steamer the approach was sheer delight, and I shall not readily forget the warmth of my welcome nor the accumulation of hospitalities which were compressed into a stay of but a few hours. I fear a long speech at the banquet kindly given me by the members of the Legislature was a sorry requital, but to quote Waller, who lived in the house which is my house, 'no ill requital can efface such kindness.'"

"In perorations about the British Empire there is often a well-worn about the jewels in the diadem of our sovereignty. Those who have revelled in the entrancing and brilliant colours of the Caribbean Sea will always think of the West Indian Islands as the best justification of the metaphor, which is no more than plain, unvarnished truth. In your twofold centenary of law and liberty you will have the best wishes and the sincerest congratulations of all who value the perfect loyalties of your ancient and famous colony, among whom I am proud to find myself on such an auspicious occasion."

To assist in stabilising industry and help the country to recover from the effects of the Wall Street collapse, American income-tax is to be reduced.

ANCIENT GEM OF
BRITISH CROWN

TERCENTENARY OF BRITISH
POSSESSION OF BAHAMAS

GATEWAY OF COLUMBUS

Three hundred years have passed since the beginning of British rule in the Bahamas, British West Indies, and in connection with the 300th anniversary of the Royal Grant to Sir Robert Heath, Attorney-General of Britain, a number of celebrations have recently taken place in the islands. A message from the King is published in the Nassau Guardian, conveying the "heartiest congratulations" of the King and Queen. The message says:—

Our son, Prince George, who remains most pleasing recollections of his visit to your Islands, joins with us in expressing our sincere wishes for the continued prosperity of this ancient possession of the Crown.

We are not unmindful of the recent visitation which has afflicted New Providence, and in the midst of your rejoicing your mind will no doubt turn to those who have suffered bereavement and loss.

In conveying this message of congratulation, the Queen and I add our earnest good wishes for the future happiness and welfare of the Bahamas and their inhabitants.

Early Days

An interesting reference to the early days of the islands is contained in the same paper. "Although the Bahamas Islands," says the writer, "were the gateway through which Christopher Columbus entered the New World in October, 1492, and as such may lay claim to historical distinction, the intrinsic value of the islands which he visited was not sufficient to hold the interest of their discoverer long, and with the deception of Ponce de Leon's commission from the King of Spain to find and settle the island of 'Bimini' with its traditional Fountain of Youth, they appear to have been entirely forgotten until, at the suggestion of the Governor of Hispaniola, the Spaniards took away the 40,000 Lucayan inhabitants to that island where they met a sad fate."

"The Spaniards held no stronger title to these islands than a Papal bull, and it was left to the adventurous British navigators to envisage the prospects of the Bahamas. Had Sir Humphrey Gilbert not met with an untimely end soon after he discovered Newfoundland, he eventually might have embraced these islands in the territory which he set out to colonise, as his patent from Queen Elizabeth in 1578 for the inhabiting and planting of our people in America gave him full liberty to explore and settle in any remote, heathen and barbarous lands, countries and territories not actually possessed of any Christian Prince or people."

We like to think that the Bahamas were destined from the beginning to form a part of the great British Empire and were settled first by men of our race and not acquired from a foreign nation by conquest. It is with no little gratification and pride, therefore, that we celebrate the three hundredth anniversary of the Royal Grant to Sir Robert Heath of 'the Islands to the South.'

It is further pointed out that the House of Assembly of the Bahamas ranks third in age among the Colonial Parliaments of the British Empire.

Romantic History

Heartily felicitations for the celebration were sent from London by the Royal Empire Society, which stated:—

"The chequered and wholly romantic history of the Bahamas might almost be taken as a microcosm of the Colonial history of Spain and Britain. Spain never attempted to settle any of her own people on the islands, but ruthlessly cleared them of their natives for the exploitation of enterprises elsewhere. When Britain annexed them they were desert islands, rioting in their tropical beauty, and given over to the undisturbed possession of mosquito and pirate. Her title to them, challenged often, was by a dramatic coincidence which cannot fail to appeal to the imagination, only confirmed under Treaty by which she recognised in the United States the sovereignty of thirteen rebel colonies. 'Many who were to help to develop the Bahamas were United Empire Loyalists, which accounts for much in their latter-day attachment, despite the economic pull of the Republic. These gardens of the ocean, as the Bahamas have been called, have with the rest of the West Indies, unfortunately had frequent calls

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ROUND THE CINEMAS

The Last of Mrs.
Cheyney

PRODUCED AS A TALKIE

That fine British play, "The Last of Mrs. Cheyney," delightfully produced as a talkie, was shown at the Queen's Theatre for the first time yesterday and received favourable comment from all who saw it. The unanimous opinion is that it is the best talkie yet presented in Hong Kong.

The photography was good, particularly of the romantic garden scene, which was superb. The talking, which started with the first flicker of the film, was very natural and clearly heard. The accent, too, was carefully introduced by all the members of the cast.

Norma Shearer, who played the title role was slightly American when talking with "Charles," but it was just noticeable and did not affect the excellence of her acting.

Herbert Hunston had a difficult role to sustain as Lord Elton, but did it well. Ably supported by Finch Smiles as "William," he carried the humour of the play with delightful dignity. Basil Rathbone was seen to advantage as Lord Arthur Dilling, whilst George Barrard was natural as the cool calculating "Charles."

The parts of all the ladies in the play were in capable hands, particularly that of the elderly "Mrs. Wynton," which was well played by Madeline Seymour. "Mrs. Cheyney's" servants were also happily portrayed by being very funny in the sing-song after the charity concert at "Mrs. Cheyney's" mansion. It is a picture well worth seeing more than once.

"THE IRON MASK"

Allan Dwan, the noted director and producer, brings to the screen in vivid realism, Dumas's "The Iron Mask," which is the attraction in the World Theatre till Wednesday.

As in "The Three Musketeers," Douglas Fairbanks again does brilliant work in the role of "D'Artagnan," supported by Leon Barry ("Athos") S. J. Sandford ("Porthos") and Gino Carrado ("Aramis").

The historical story opens in the reign of Louis XIIIth, in 1638, when all France is over-joyed at the birth of a son and heir. But there is a twin brother born and this is kept a strict secret, the King even being told of it.

The film is a splendid one. The scenes are pretty and the characters have been well chosen.

HAICHING PIRACY

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X-ray photos showed that the bullet had passed from the wound on the shoulder to the back and had fractured the third, fourth and fifth ribs on the left.

Witness also noticed two small wounds on the back of accused's left hand and two flesh wounds in the left thigh, about four inches above the knee. From the appearance of those wounds, the bullet must have passed clean through the soft tissues of the left thigh.

On December 30 witness operated on the accused and removed fragments of a bullet from his back. These witness sent to the Police.

The Doctor Thanked

Asked if he had any questions to ask, third accused replied that he had none, adding "I want to thank the doctor for saving my life."

The next witness was Hong Chung, a cook employed on the Haiching. He said that his cabin was in the forward end of the forward tween deck.

On December 8 he went on duty in the second class at 1 a.m. He proceeded there along the starboard side of the spar deck. Passing the bunker hatch, he looked in and saw five men in it, whilst five or six others were standing around the hatchway on the starboard side.

The grills were off. Witness asked what so many people were doing there, but one of the men round the hatch told him that nothing was the matter. Thus reassured, he proceeded to the second class. He did not suspect the men until he heard shots soon after he had got to the second class. Witness saw no signs of firearms on the men whom he saw at the hatch.

THE HAICHING

To Resume Coastal Run
To-morrow

The Douglas s.s. Haiching was unlocked on Saturday, and is now lying at her usual mooring place. She looks sleek and span with her new bridge and superstructure. She is due to leave for Foochow, Amoy and Swatow at 2 p.m. to-morrow.

The Venerable John Ogilvie, a Scottish Jesuit, who was hanged, drawn, and quartered in 1619, was beheaded as a martyr in the Basilica of St. Peter's.

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The Register of Shares of the Corporation will be CLOSED from MONDAY, the 10th February, to Saturday, the 22nd February, 1930 (both days inclusive), during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
A. C. HYNES,
Chief Manager.
Hong Kong, 3rd February, 1930.

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The Register of Shares of the Company will be CLOSED from Friday, the 7th February, 1930, to Friday, the 14th February, 1930, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
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6-7 p.m.—Chinese Programme.

7-8 p.m.—Weather Report.

9 p.m.—Pagliacci (Leoncavallo).

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Tonio (Taddeo, Act 2),
Harold Williams.
Peppe (Harlequin, Act 2),
Heddie Nash.
Silvia (with Chorus of Villagers & Peasants),
Dennis Noble.
10.30 p.m.—Closed Down.

A not very encouraging majority in the Reichstag has been obtained for the Cabinet's vote of confidence and for the financial reform programme. About 100 deputies declined to record their votes, and the result was 222 for and 156 against.

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BREWER CASE

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When the compulsory liquidation came into effect, I produced a voluntary balance sheet showing how the firm stood. I gave every explanation that I could to the Official Receiver and special manager. Also, when I was publicly examined, there was no attempt to hold back about 40 odd pages of words spoken by me, not one of which have I ever had to retract or wish to retract. From the moment that your Lordship ruled that these transactions were not cash transactions, the verdict was a foregone conclusion because I have never maintained that we have had factual cash. I have maintained that they were, as Mr. Udy, puts it, theoretical cash. I believe they were cash by operation of the law. If as a point of law I was wrong, I have never believed them to be factual, therefore, if as a point of law, I was wrong, I can not plead other than I knew it to be false.

Enthusiasm for Company Laws
I was unquestionably guilty to that extent, that unless my contention of law is correct, I knew these to be false. Also it was wilfully done. I am a barrister and have a certain enthusiasm for company law. I produced this Statutory Report, not as a document that intended to defraud anybody but on the contrary because I knew it could defraud no one, but I produced it as an enthusiast in any line of work or profession, would produce something new. It was a precedent, and to my mind, one worthy of appearing some day in a text book. Apparently I was wrong but the Registrar also, while disliking my Statutory Report believed it to be legal before signing his name to it. Mr. Ross could not say how it should be done. Mr. Udy stated it was correct. With all these experts disagreeing we have no one who could say that I was incorrect.

I cannot say that I have never drawn people's attention to this Statutory Report, except in regard to something of which I was proud as President, but I have never drawn attention to the fact that the cash received for our shares issued for cash was \$800,000 except in so far as it showed I have produced a legal document that was, as I say, a precedent of which I was by no means ashamed.

His Lordship's Patience
His Lordship: You will realise that I have listened with very great patience to what you have said and I will assure you that the facts as you have set out so far as they have appeared in the evidence before the jury, I have fully considered. You stand convicted on a charge of having filed with the Registrar of Companies a Statutory Report in connection with the Instone Banking Corporation, Limited, which contained a statement untrue in substance and in fact, and which you knew to be untrue. The false statement contained in the report is, as you know, that the Instone Banking Corporation, Limited, in respect of its share issued for cash and received in cash the sum of \$876,750 and it appeared from the evidence, as you yourself recognised, that the actual cash received on that account was possibly less than a tenth of that sum.

Agreed With the Verdict
The verdict of "Guilty" brought in by the jury was their unanimous verdict. It was given after a close and careful consideration of the evidence before them. The trial lasted for four days and they listened carefully to the evidence and everything that was said. I think it is right that I should say here that having followed the evidence with them I myself agree fully with the verdict and that the verdict is the only possible one justified by the evidence. In what you have said to-day have tried to re-open the issue between yourself that if they found that the statement was a sham intended to mislead people who might be proposing to give credit to your bank, then there was ground for finding you guilty of making a false statement and their verdict means that they have found that it was not a mere matter of accounting, not a mere matter of book-keeping, but that it was a false statement placed on public record for public information.

The Principal Object
The principal object of the Crown in these proceedings was to have the principle affirmed that persons—commercial men—who are taking advantage of the Companies' Ordinance and the privileges thereunder must also be held bound to comply strictly, if not honestly, with the provisions of the ordinance which are designed to protect the public who deal with them.

Mr. Brewer's Ambition
You have been indicted and you, yourself, realise the gravity of the charge on which you have been convicted and it is my duty to pass a sentence which, it is hoped, will deter you from doing anything of the kind again. It was your ambition to appear as a Director of a Corporation which had a gigantic financial stability and you knew and no one knew better, that the Instone Banking Corporation was nothing of the kind. It is a painful duty to pass sentence upon a member of the Bar of

NEW CHINESE BANK OPENED

INDUSTRIAL AND COMMERCIAL BANK: IMPOSING STRUCTURE
AIMS OF THE FOUNDER

Yet another addition to Hong Kong's imposing buildings was made this morning, when the Industrial and Commercial Bank, Ltd., was formally opened for business.

The building, a six-storey structure with a frontage of 60 feet to Queen's Road Central, is situated next to the Kowloon Building. It is an imposing elevation with doric columns and entablature which give an impression of solidity and strength, devoid of any superfluous ornament.

A China Mail man who called at the reception was informed by the General Manager, Mr. Tienmu K. Lin, that the primary object of the founder, Mr. T. T. Cheng, was to provide opportunities for sound investments throughout China for returned Chinese from overseas, more particularly for those from America and the South Seas.

Overseas Clients
Whilst the bank naturally transacts a big volume of financial business of all kinds, special attention is devoted to this feature, which has steadily grown during the past few years. With a prospect of settlement of the unrest in China, an even more prosperous future is anticipated.

It is interesting to note that one of the Directors is Mr. Sun Fo, the present Minister of Railways in Nanking.

Up-to-Date Building
The building itself has already been described. The banking hall is tiled throughout with Italian tiles, whilst at the rear is an especially-constructed steel and concrete strong-room, of modern design.

Ample godown space is also to be provided, whilst the upper floor will be let out as offices. On inspection these offices, which are not quite completed, proved to be very well-lighted and airy, and should be much sought after.

Prominent Guests
Many prominent Chinese merchants, bankers, and residents attended the reception. Other visitors were the Directors of the Tung Wah Eastern Hospital, managers of foreign banks, and most of the principal brokers. The architects are Mr. E. F. R. Sample, F.R.I.B.A., and Mr. G. Hollingsworth Bond.

USED A CHOPPER

Debt Collector Chased from Shop

TREATMENT IN HOSPITAL

Convicted on a charge of assaulting with a chopper the Chinese master of a meat shop 27 Sai Street, Hong Kong, Tang Sang, a waiter at 402 Shanghai Street, was at the Kowloon Magistracy to-day sentenced to two months' jail with hard labour, and ordered to pay \$50 of compensation to the complainant, or undergo a further month in jail.

Mr. J. M. d'Almada Remedios, who appeared for the prosecution said that the incident occurred on January 25 at the accused's shop where the complainant and a folk of the Sai Street shop had gone in order to collect debts. An argument ensued as to payment, which resulted in the complainant being chased out of the shop by the accused who took up a chopper. When he eventually caught the complainant he floored him and cut his wrist and leg. The injured man had been in the Kwong Wah Hospital for treatment, until to-day.

The accused, alleged that he used the chopper on the complainant to ward off a blow.

THE TUNG ON

Port Clearance Taken Out at Wuchow

The launch, Tung On, according to a Naval Wireless message, had taken out her port clearance at Wuchow yesterday. She was due to leave there for Hong Kong to-day at 7 a.m.

The Tung On, it will be remembered, was seized by the Wuchow authorities after having collided with a commandeered vessel. Her owners are in Hong Kong.

One hundred and thirty-six British martyrs of the sixteenth and seventeenth centuries were beatified in Rome by Papal decree. A deputation representing the Catholic Union of Great Britain was received by the Pope.

The sentence which I pass upon you is that you be imprisoned for four months without hard labour.

P'RAPS — P'RAPS NOT!

Teacher: "Who can tell me what a necromancer is?"
Small Boy: "Please, sir, a man wot writes collar ads."

Bert: "What started the riot last night?"
Al: "A misprint."

Bert: "A misprint?"
Al: "Yes, the Lyric advertised a show with three hundred and fifty people and one hundred costumes!"

About the only business which makes money without advertising is the Mint.

A butcher in a certain town had read a good deal about milk from contented cows, and, wanting to keep up with the times, he placed this sign in his window:—
"Sausages from pigs that died happy!"

Tourist (in village store): "What have you got in the shape of automobile tyres?"

Saleswoman: "Funeral wreaths, life preservers, invalid cushions and doughnuts."

A nationally-known magazine, which claims that there is nothing but the truth in its advertisements, has the nerve to show a picture of a woman smiling at a washing machine.

Agent: "Do you insure your office furniture against theft?"
Manager: "Yes, all except the clock; everybody watches that!"

Gruff Father to Son: "Why don't you get out and find a job? When I was your age I was working for three dollars a week in a store, and at the end of five years I owned the store."

Son: "You can't do that nowadays, they have cash-registers!"

"Well, Boss, I see you're wearing a black tie in mourning for me," said the irresponsible salesman as he entered the sales manager's office to be fired. "But why not a black suit too?"

"Because you're only dead from the neck up," replied the snappy sales manager.

A hardware firm advertising for a salesman received a reply from a man who said he was the greatest salesman in the world. They gave him three lines to sell anywhere in the West. They expected him to do great things.

After he had been away a week and they had received no orders, they were surprised to receive the following telegram: "I am not the greatest salesman in the world, I am the second best. The greatest salesman was the man who loaded you up with these goods."

EXCHANGES

TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS

On London—
Bank, wire 1/6 3/4
Bank, on demand 1/6 5/16
Bank, 30 days' sight 1/6 1/2
Bank, 4 months' sight 1/6 1/2
Credits, 4 months' sight 1/7 1/2
Documentary 4 months' sight 1/7 1/2
On Paris—
On demand 947 1/2
Credits, 4 months' sight 1022 1/2
On Berlin—
On demand
On New York—
On demand 37 1/2
Credits, 60 days' sight 38 1/2
On Bombay—
Wire 102
On demand 102
On Calcutta—
Wire 102
On demand 102
On Singapore—
On demand 65 1/2
On Manila—
On demand 74 1/2
On Shanghai—
On demand 80
80 days' sight (private paper)
On Yokohama—
On demand 75 1/2
Gold Leaf, 100 fine
(per tael)
Sovereigns (Bank's buying rate) 12.08
Silver (per oz.) 20 1/2
Bar Silver in Hong Kong Par.
Copper Cash 1/5 1/2
Copper Cents 8% prem.
Rate of Native Interest 7% p.a.
Chinese Sub. Coin 22 1/2% dis.
Hong Kong Sub. Coin 1/4% prem.

HONG KONG STOCK EXCHANGE.

Opening Daily Official Quotations 3rd February, 1930.

STOCK	Buyers	Sellers	Sales	Num.	Min. Price	DIVIDEND	WHEN PAID
Banks.							
Hong Kong Bank	1315				Dec.	[Final 2 1/2% 1929]	Pending
Chartered Bank			17 1/2		Dec.	[Interim 2 1/2% 1929]	Sept. 12, 29
Mercantile Bk., Ltd.			28 1/2		Dec.	[Final 2 1/2% 1929]	Oct. — 29
Bank of Asia	96				Dec.	[Final 2 1/2% 1929]	Pending
Insurance.							
Canton Ins.	715				Dec.	[Final 2 1/2% 1929]	May 23, 29
Union Ins.	370				Dec.	[Final 2 1/2% 1929]	May 24, 29
China Underwriters					Dec.	[Final 2 1/2% 1929]	—
China Fire Ins.	340				Dec.	[Final 2 1/2% 1929]	May 24, 29
H. K. Fire Ins.	326				Dec.	[Final 2 1/2% 1929]	Mar. 20, 29
Shipping.							
Douglases			35 1/2		Dec.	[Final 2 1/2% 1929]	—
H. K. Steamboats			17 1/2		Dec.	[Final 2 1/2% 1929]	Pending
Indo-China (Prel.)			19		Dec.	[Final 2 1/2% 1929]	June 12, 29
Shell Transports			95 1/2		Dec.	[Final 2 1/2% 1929]	Jan. 6, 30
Union Waterboats			23 1/2		Dec.	[Final 2 1/2% 1929]	Jan. 31, 29
Mining.							
Benguet	5 1/2				Dec.	[Final 2 1/2% 1929]	Dec. — 29
Kailan Mining Ad.			54 1/2		June	[Final 2 1/2% 1929]	Dec. 17, 29
Langkat (Comb.)			18.60		Oct.	[Final 2 1/2% 1929]	—
Shai Exploration			1.30		Dec.	[Final 2 1/2% 1929]	—
Loans			5		Dec.	[Final 2 1/2% 1929]	—
Raubs			19 1/2		Mar.	[Final 2 1/2% 1929]	Dec. 12, 29
Tromol Mines			21 1/2		Dec.	[Final 2 1/2% 1929]	Sept. 30, 29
Docks, Wharves, Godowns, &c.							
H. K. & W. Wharves	148 1/2		150		Dec.	[Final 2 1/2% 1929]	Mar. 7, 29
H. K. & W. Docks	31				Dec.	[Final 2 1/2% 1929]	—
China Providents	5.55		570 1/2		Dec.	[Final 2 1/2% 1929]	—
Hongkew	196				Dec.	[Final 2 1/2% 1929]	—
N. Engineering	7 1/2				Dec.	[Final 2 1/2% 1929]	—
Shanghai Docks	123 1/2				Apr.	[Final 2 1/2% 1929]	July 27, 29
Cotton Mills.							
Ewo Cottons	16.10				Dec.	[Final 2 1/2% 1929]	Aug. 33, 29
Shai Cotton (old)	5 1/2				Apr.	[Final 2 1/2% 1929]	—
Shai Cotton (new)	5 1/2				Oct.	[Final 2 1/2% 1929]	Nov. 26, 29
Zoong Sings			10		June	[Final 2 1/2% 1929]	Oct. 11, 29
Lands, Hotels & Buildings.							
H. K. & S. Hotels	12.80		(12.80/50)		Dec.	[Final 2 1/2% 1929]	—
H. K. Lands	66		66		Dec.	[Final 2 1/2% 1929]	Pending
Shanghai Lands			195		Dec.	[Final 2 1/2% 1929]	July 31, 29
Humphreys	14.10				Dec.	[Final 2 1/2% 1929]	Feb. 8, 29
H. K. Realities	3.60				Dec.	[Final 2 1/2% 1929]	Aug. 12, 29
Chinese Estates	98				Feb.	[Final 2 1/2% 1929]	June 5, 29
Public Utilities.							
H. K. Tramways	10.15		(10.15/15)		Dec.	[Final 2 1/2% 1929]	Aug. 27, 29
Peak Tram (old)	11 1/2				Apr.	[Final 2 1/2% 1929]	—
Peak Tram (new)	0.05				Apr.	[Final 2 1/2% 1929]	June 7, 29
Star Ferries	78				Dec.	[Final 2 1/2% 1929]	Feb. 10, 29
China Light			23 1/2		Sept.	[Final 2 1/2% 1929]	Dec. 23, 29
H. K. Electric	71 1/2		72 1/2		Dec.	[Final 2 1/2% 1929]	—
Macao	23				Dec.	[Final 2 1/2% 1929]	—
Sandakan Lights	3 1/2				June	[Final 2 1/2% 1929]	—
H. K. Telephones	9.65				Dec.	[Final 2 1/2% 1929]	Sept. 18, 29
China Buses	16 1/2				Dec.	[Final 2 1/2% 1929]	Feb. 21, 29
S'pore Traction (Ord.)	10 1/2				Dec.	[Final 2 1/2% 1929]	Feb. 6, 29
S'pore Traction (Pref.)	19 1/2				Dec.	[Final 2 1/2% 1929]	—
Industrials.							
China Sugars			1		In Liquidation	[Final 2 1/2% 1929]	—
Malayan Sugars			27		Dec.	[Final 2 1/2% 1929]	April 11, 29
Cald. Macg. Ord.			11		Dec.	[Final 2 1/2% 1929]	—
Cald. Pref.			10		Dec.	[Final 2 1/2% 1929]	—
Canton Ice			24		July	[Final 2 1/2% 1929]	—
Cements (comb.)	16.60		16.60		Dec.	[Final 2 1/2% 1929]	—
Cements (old)	8 1/2				Dec.	[Final 2 1/2% 1929]	—
H. K. Ropes	7 1/2				Dec.	[Final 2 1/2% 1929]	—
United Asbestos	5				Dec.	[Final 2 1/2% 1929]	—
Stores, &c.							
Dairy Farms	22.80				Dec.	[Final 2 1/2% 1929]	Mar. 4, 29
Watsons	11 1/2		12		Oct.	[Final 2 1/2% 1929]	Mar. 25, 29
Der A Wings	80 c.				Dec.	[Final 2 1/2% 1929]	—
Lane Crawford	3				Feb.	[Final 2 1/2% 1929]	—
Mackintosh	19				Feb.	[Final 2 1/2% 1929]	April 11, 29
Sinceres			12		Dec.	[Final 2 1/2% 1929]	—
Wm. Powells			2 1/2		Feb.	[Final 2 1/2% 1929]	June 10, 29
Miscellaneous.							
H. K. Amusement Pref.	28				Mar.	[Final 2 1/2% 1929]	July 25, 29
H. K. Amusement					Dec.	[Final 2 1/2% 1929]	—
H. K. Constructions			1.80		Dec.	[Final 2 1/2% 1929]	—
B. Ind. G. Bonds			59 1/2		Dec.	[Final 2 1/2% 1929]	—
H. K. Govt. Loans	5%				Prem.	[Final 2 1/2% 1929]	—

LONDON EXCHANGES

London, Saturday	
Paris	123.97
New York	486 15/32
Brussels	84.93½
Geneva	25.22
Amsterdam	12.12½
Milan	92.94
Berlin	20.36
Stockholm	18.12½
Copenhagen	18.19½
Oslo	18.21
Vienna	34.56½
Prague	164¼
Helsingfors	193¼
Madrid	33.69½
Lisbon	108¼
Athens	37½
Bucharest	818
Rio	5 17/32
Buenos Aires	44 7/16
Bombay	1/5 %
Shanghai	Holiday
Hong Kong	Holiday
Yokohama	2/D 7/82
Silver Spot	20%
Silver Forward	20
—British Wireless Service	

FANLING HUNT RACES

Chinese New Year Cup Won by As You Like It
VERY INTERESTING SPORT

[By "Wombat"]

Anticipations of witnessing some good racing which would give one some pointers for the next big National meeting attracted quite a good attendance to the Fanling Steeplechase races which were held at Kwanti yesterday afternoon.

It cannot be said that the crack Montana revealed any outstanding points, as he failed to stay the distance and was badly beaten by As You Like It, who won last year's Fanling Grand National. Mr. T. Bulteel was very proficient in the saddle and was responsible for the best riding performance, as he rode two winners one-third and was leading in another race when his pony refused the last jump with only another fifty yards to go.

The two cups for the cross country events were presented by Mrs. L. Dunbar, the popular Hong Kong racehorse owner, who was introduced by Major H. B. Dowbiggin.

RESULTS

1.—Fat Choy Stakes: Once Around.

—Winner \$100; 2nd \$35. For China ponies. Winners at Kwanti this season barred. Catchweights at 168 lbs.

Stanton's November, 167 lbs. (Mr. Stanton) 1

McCartney's Fanling Stag, 168 lbs. (Mr. McCartney) 2

Howard's Duke of Nieblung, 168 lbs. (Mr. Cave) 3

Also ran: Grey Eyes (Mr. Worrall), Bingo (Mr. Churchill).

Won by five lengths; six lengths between second and third.

Pari-mutuel: Winner \$2.70; Places, 1st \$2.20, 2nd \$2.60.

Winner Place

November 242 201

Fanling Stag 74 88

Bingo 19 39

Duke of Nieblung 12 28

Grey Eyes 19 28

Ridden by his owner, Mr. Stanton, November was the most prominent in the betting in a field of five.

The favourite closely followed by Grey Eyes and Fanling Stag. Fanling Stag moved up to second half way and was going well just behind the leader after coming out of the dip. November entered the straight with a lead of about six lengths and, finishing well in an easy winner by five lengths. Fanling Stag was second, Duke of Nieblung third.

2.—Fox Hunters' Cup (Heavyweights).—Over about two miles of Country Finishing on the Steeplechase Course.—For a Cup, to remain the property of the Winner for a year, with a replica presented; 2nd \$50.

For China ponies that have been twice in the country this season prior to January 15 in a Point-to-Point, a Paperhunt, or with the Somerset Drag. Catchweights at 168 lbs. Standing Weight.

Beck's Strathorne, 168 lbs. (Mr. Beck) 1

Macnamara's James Pigg, 168 lbs. (Mr. Alms) 2

Wallis's Why Not, 168 lbs. (Mr. Wallis) 3

Also ran: Craigavad (Mr. Potts), Caveman (Mr. MacIntyre), Blotting Paper (Mr. Mattingley).

Won by a head; three lengths between second and third.

Pari-mutuel: Winner \$4.80; Places, 1st \$2.80, 2nd \$3.40, 3rd \$6.50.

Winner Place

Strathorne 152 126

Craigavad 96 103

Blotting Paper 87 91

James Pigg 50 78

Why Not 11 24

Caveman 8 15

For a lengthy period the field kept well together and when sighted were making across the paddock after crossing the road.

Strathorne was in the lead. Why Not was centering in rear, while the Caveman refused altogether in front of the stands.

After going half the distance, Strathorne had a good lead which, however, he lost as they came down on to the paddock again.

Craigavad was going well and looked a winner, but he refused the ditch, and James Pigg took the lead to lose it again as Strathorne put in a great effort

and won by a head. James Pigg was second and Why Not third.

3.—Chinese New Year Cup: 1½ Miles.—For a Cup; 2nd \$50; 3rd \$25. For China ponies. Weight for inches as per scale. Winners at Kwanti this season of two or more races 5 lbs. penalty. Non-winners this season allowed 5 lbs.

British As You Like It, 164 lbs. (Mr. Bulteel) 1

Stanton's Montana, 166 lbs. (Mr. Stanton) 2

Richardson's Sure, 161 lbs. (Mr. Richardson) 3

Won by three lengths; many lengths between second and third.

Pari-mutuel: Winner \$7.70; Place, \$10.80.

Winner Place

Montana 270 102

As You Like It 89 24

Sure 26 19

Montana was the only candidate in demand at the opening of the betting and he was thought a dead certainty. As You Like It, ridden by Mr. T. Bulteel, was supported by a few who had backed the pony on other occasions.

At the fall of the flag Montana took up the running with As You Like It in close proximity. Montana held his lead for a considerable time, when As You Like It gradually began to shorten the distance between until he was on terms at the second hurdle before the straight when he came away and won easily. Montana was second and Sure finished third.

4.—Midwinter Handicap: 1½ Miles.—Winner \$100; 2nd \$35; 3rd \$20. For China ponies. Heard's Christmas Frolic, 168 lbs. (Mr. Bulteel) 1

S. N. Wong's Fernleaf, 145 lbs. (Mr. Palmer) 2

Also ran: May (Mr. Cave), Six Hundred (Mr. Fischer).

Won by three lengths.

Pari-mutuel: Winner \$2.40; Places, 1st \$2.30, 2nd \$2.90.

Winner Place

Christmas Frolic 392 192

Fernleaf 59 69

May 46 60

Six Hundred 26 42

Christmas Frolic was all but to win and gained a victory by the closest of margins. Fernleaf was in command at the water jump after which Christmas Frolic took the lead and was never headed.

Fernleaf ran a very good race which is all the better when it is considered he is such an old pony.

Mr. Cave received a nasty fall when his new mount, May, came a cropper in front of the stands. Luckily, Mr. Cave was not injured.

Six Hundred refused to jump and was taken out of the race. Christmas Frolic first, Fernleaf second. Only two finished.

5.—Fox Hunters' Cup (Lightweights).—Over about two miles of Country Finishing on the Steeplechase Course.—For a Cup, to remain the property of the Winner for a year, with a replica presented; 2nd \$50.

For China ponies that have been twice in the country this season prior to January 15 in a

Point-to-Point, a Paperhunt, or with the Somerset Drag. Catchweights at 150 lbs.

McCartney's Fanling Stag, 150 lbs. (Mr. McCartney) 1

Cave's Movanager, 150 lbs. (Mr. Cave) 2

Dr. Durran's Mowgli, 150 lbs. (Dr. Durran) 3

Also ran: Brown Eve (Mr. Worrall), Cavair (Mr. Arnold), Huntington (Dr. MacGown), King's Parade (Mr. Churchill), Lightning (Mr. Patten), Marco Polo (Mr. Braine-Hartnell), and Sheila (Mr. Bulteel).

Won by three lengths; three-quarter of a length between second and third.

Pari-mutuel: Winner \$26; Places, 1st \$4.70, 2nd \$7.30, 3rd \$2.60.

Winner Place

Mowgli 299 243

Huntington 58 89

King's Parade 11 37

Sheila 50 85

Fanling Stag 34 57

Lightning 31 41

Movanager 18 29

Marco Polo 5 17

Cavair 11 14

Brown Eve 7 14

One of the most remarkable races of the meeting was won when Mr. A. E. McCartney's Fanling Stag won the Foxhunters' Cup for lightweights.

The field kept well together going past the stands first time. Huntington was leading with Brown Eve, Mowgli, and Movanager well forward.

Kiag's Parade came down heavily in the country, likewise Lightning; both riders were unhurt.

Sheila was in the lead after crossing the road, but ran out the last jump which Huntington ran off the track and galloped down the main road. Marco Polo dragged Mr. Braine-Hartnell along the road also. Fanling Stag, who had been lying handy all the way, came along in the straight and won. Movanager was second, Mowgli, the favourite, was third.

6.—February Maidens: One Mile.—Winner \$100; 2nd \$35. For China ponies that have never won a Steeplechase. Ponies that have started at Kwanti allowed 5 lbs.

Fischer's Buster, 158 lbs. (Mr. Fischer) 1

Li-Col. Little's Sunloch, 150 lbs. (Mr. Worrall) 2

Bulteel's Samaritan, 158 lbs. (Mr. Bulteel) 3

Also ran: Eclipse Eve (Mr. Cave), Social Mark (Mr. Stanton), The Parmigan (Mr. Palmer).

Won by one length; a neck between second and third.

Pari-mutuel: Winner \$12; Places, 1st \$6.40, 2nd \$4.20.

Winner Place

Samaritan 209 130

Social Mark 75 118

Sunloch 65 103

Buster 64 63

Eclipse Eve 17 31

Six starters faced the flag in the last race of the meeting and backers quickly made Samaritan a hot favourite, but although he was considered such a good thing he was beaten by Buster in the straight. Social Mark was fairly well backed, but tumbled in the country and did not finish. Buster was the better pony, which was seen when nearing the last jump as he came through and won comfortably by one length. Sunloch was second and Samaritan third.

7.—HAVE YOU WON?

The result of the Cash Sweeps were as follows:—

Race 1.

No. 52 \$216.80

" 143 61.80

" 22 30.90

\$10 tickets:—Nos. 145, 119.

Race 2.

No. 37 \$291.20

" 213 83.20

" 131 41.60

\$10 tickets:—Nos. 94, 124, 149.

Race 3.

No. 76 \$356.80

" 104 101.80

" 51 50.90

Race 4.

No. 1969 \$2,349.00

" 1072 783.00

RUGBY FOOTBALL

H.M.S. Berwick Beat Club in Fast Game

THE NAVY STRONGER

In ideal weather H.M.S. Berwick XV defeated the Club in a fast game at Happy Valley on Saturday.

The Club were without Koop, whose place was taken by Oswald of H.M.S. Berwick.

The Navy were the heavier team. They combined exceedingly well and the ball invariably came out of the scrum in their favour.

Navy Open Campaign

The Berwick opened up play with a rush that carried them to the Club's twenty-five.

This, however, was effectively smothered by the Club forward, Divett, clearing into touch.

The sailors soon returned, however, and were rewarded when Batten crossed the line near the flag; Allen failed to convert.

The Club forwards now got going, and play was more even, Black making good efforts at defence.

Plummer was responsible for an excellent movement, and Oswald equalised for the Club.

Divett did not add the goal points from a difficult angle. Shortly afterward, Black added further points for the Club with a good try and Divett again failed with his kick.

Play went back to the Club twenty-five, but Milne-Day cleared. The Navy were not to be denied, however, and Batten again crossed the line, Allen adding goal points.

A Fine Tackle

Divett spoiled a good run by the Navy with a fine tackle, but once more the Navy scored, Ellis making a splendid run. Allen hit the post in the goal attempt. No further score took place before half-time.

Upon resuming the Club forced play and Cox got over. Divett converted.

Rush tactics by both teams kept play in midfield until a fine passing movement ended near the Club line and Powell crossed after an effort.

The End of Things

This seemed the end of things as far as the Club were concerned, the Berwick men holding them with ease.

Batten again got over and Allen added further points with his kick. Divett made a belated effort for the Club but was collared after a 30 yard burst. Play ended without further score, being an easy win for the Navy in the latter stages.

Result:—Berwick 19 pts. (2 goals, 3 tries). Club "A", 11 pts. (1 goal, 2 tries).

REFEREES ASSOCIATION

The monthly meeting of the Referees' Association will be held in the Council Office of the H.K.F.A. 4th floor French Bank Building, Queen's Road Central, on Thursday, at 5.30 p.m., sharp.

All referees, players, and others interested are cordially invited to attend.

At King's Park, on Saturday, an eleven from the R.A.F. (Kai Tak Aerodrome) defeated the K.B.S.F.A. at hockey by 8 goals to 4.

OUR SMALL NAVY

Reduction Criticised As Excessive

AN IMPRESSIVE LEAD?

Rugby, Saturday. There will be no committee work during the week-end by the Naval Conference delegates. M. Tardieu is paying a short visit to Paris, whither M. Briand preceded him yesterday. Signor Grandi and Admiral Wakatsuki are going to the seaside and Mr. Ramsay MacDonald to his official country residence at Chequers.

The Premier will entertain the American delegates to luncheon there to-morrow, afterwards showing them something of British country life, including such sights as Milton's Cottage and Penn's Home at Jordana. But the delegates will take much work with them, including papers relating to the transactional proposal whereby the British category and French global theories are correlated. On this complicated and important problem there is hope of early solution.

Premier Optimistic. Mr. MacDonald's optimistic statement that the partition dividing the French and the British is so thin as to be almost transparent is borne out in French delegation circles. Britain is unlikely to accept the compromise proposal normally, however, until the views of the other delegations at the Conference have been defined to it, and until the whole matter has been threshed out in committee.

The so-called first committee has now been turned into a committee of all delegates, and is in effect the Conference sitting as a committee in private. The next such meeting, as at present arranged, takes place on Tuesday.

Britain's Reductions. The newspapers call attention to the significance of the recent announcements regarding reduction in the British Naval Construction Programme for 1929-30. It is reckoned that the naval tonnage which Britain would in the ordinary course have laid down in the current financial year, has been reduced by nearly 30,000 tons, or over fifty per cent. This is regarded as an impressive lead to the Conference, although some newspapers consider the cancellations excessive, particularly as they have been made without any effort to use such reductions as a bargain counter with other Naval Powers.

A Suggestion Scouted. London, Yesterday. It is stated authoritatively that there is no truth in the suggestion that the Dominions Representatives at the Naval Conference demanded representation on the "second committee," thus embarrassing Mr. R. MacDonald.

It is added that although the "second committee" is not yet appointed this does not mean that it will not be formed.

Programme Cut. London, Yesterday. It is learned in authoritative Naval quarters that the two cruisers to be scrapped from the 1929-30 programme are in addition to the Surrey and the Northumberland which belonged to the 1928-29 programme. Thus altogether three ten thousand-ton cruisers and one smaller cruiser will be cancelled.—Reuter.

Labour and Submarines. London, Yesterday. One hundred and ninety-six members of the House of Commons, chiefly Labourite members of the Parliamentary Peace Group, have sent a memorial to Mr. Ramsay MacDonald expressing their warm agreement with the Government's desire to obtain the consent of all nations to the abolition of the battleship and submarines, and the reduction of cruisers to those calculated necessary for protection purposes only.—Reuter.

Consignees' Notice. Consignees of cargo ex M.V. "Esquillon" are reminded to take delivery of their goods which will be subject to rent after February 10.

In succession to Admiral Conduitt, M. Alexander Zaimis has been elected President of the Greek Republic.

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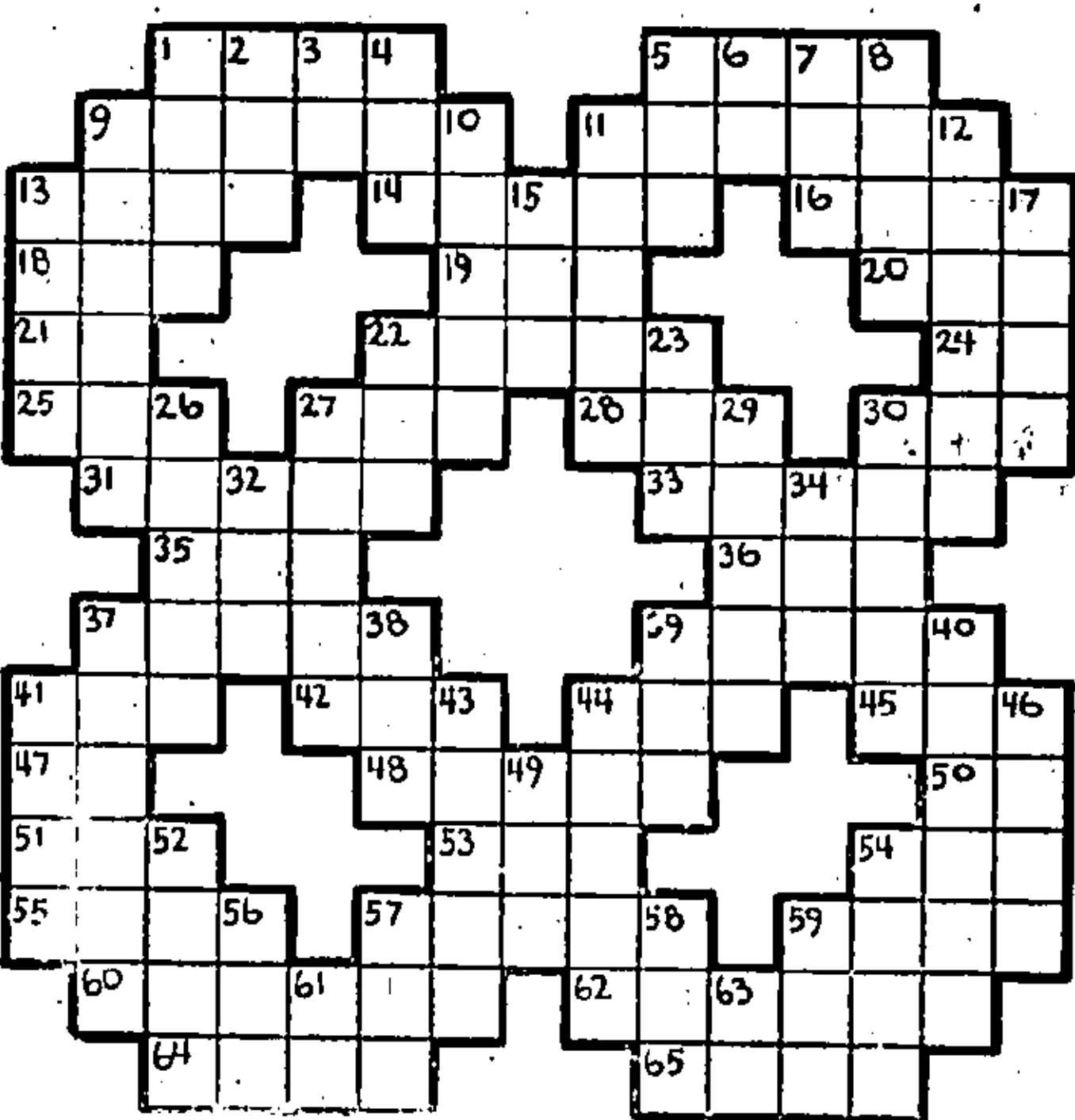
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DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, piano, and altho.)



- HORIZONTAL**
- 1-A liquid measure
 - 5-Group
 - 9-An account of something deemed worthy of record
 - 11-Moderating
 - 13-Distort
 - 14-Pertaining to a foot
 - 15-Any foot
 - 18-An insect
 - 19-Atmosphere
 - 20-A sailor
 - 21-Small State in U. S. (abbr.)
 - 22-Slumber
 - 24-Largest city in U. S. (abbr.)
 - 25-Old age (post.)
 - 27-Mother of a lower animal
 - 28-A patriotic society (abbr.)
 - 30-Pronoun
 - 31-Light steel helmet (French)
 - 33-Small piece
 - 35-Consumption
 - 36-Chinese plant
 - 37-Prices
 - 39-Leans over, as a ship
 - 41-Increase
 - 42-Tear
 - 43-Lincoln's son
 - 45-Truth
- HORIZONTAL (Cont.)**
- 47-Part of verb "to be"
 - 48-South or southwest wind
 - 50-Company (abbr.)
 - 51-Dominion (abbr.)
 - 53-Suffix. An
 - 54-Country of South America
 - 55-Elder son of Isaac
 - 57-Penetrator
 - 59-A river of Tuscany
 - 60-Erring
 - 62-Restrained
 - 64-Aim
 - 65-A grating of parallel bars
- VERTICAL**
- 1-Saucy
 - 2-Mischivous child
 - 3-Not in any wise
 - 4-Tilt
 - 5-A liquid measure (abbr.)
 - 6-Proposition
 - 7-Beak
 - 8-Small fly
 - 9-Capital of Philippine Islands
 - 10-A kingdom
 - 11-Exposed
 - 12-Confers
 - 13-Articles of the same class
- VERTICAL (Cont.)**
- 15-Small cube used in game
 - 17-Prohibitionists (sland)
 - 22-Perched
 - 23-Apt
 - 26-Awe
 - 27-To prevent from acting
 - 29-Scolded
 - 30-Country of Europe
 - 32-Small rug
 - 34-Wild (Scott.)
 - 37-Branch-like
 - 38-Crime
 - 39-Owens
 - 40-Unit of time
 - 41-Produced
 - 43-Sharpener
 - 44-Attuned
 - 46-Not concerted
 - 49-To make an edging by tatting
 - 52-A market
 - 54-Raised
 - 55-Ending of nouns denoting action
 - 57-Terminals
 - 58-A fragment
 - 59-Friend (French)
 - 61-Indefinite article
 - 63-A title of respect (abbr.)

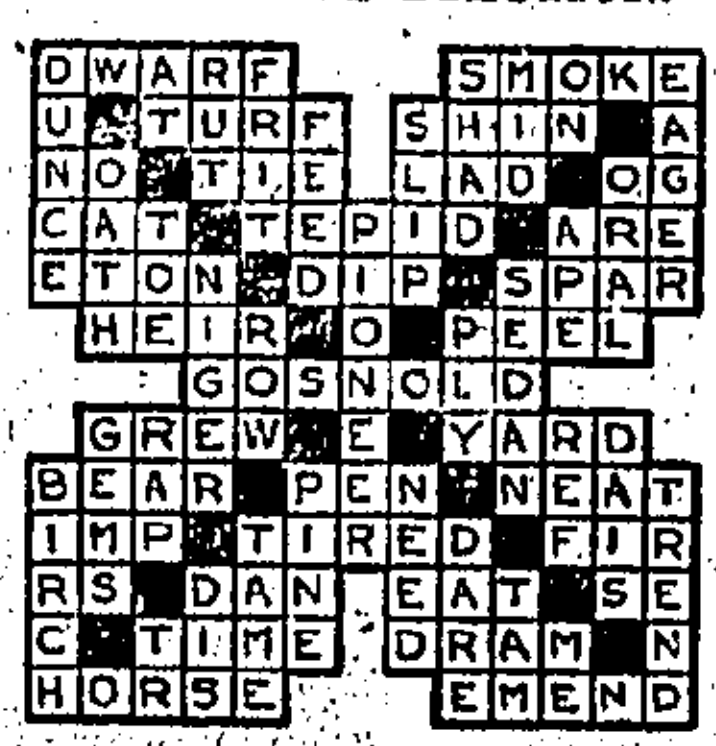
(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.)

FORCED LABOUR

Sensation in Lena Goldfields

Riga, Saturday.
Mr. Sampson, the Authorized Representative of the Lena Goldfields Concession, was sentenced last October for using compulsory labour and the concession was fined twenty-five thousand roubles as a result of alleged complaints made by the workmen that their wages were not paid punctually. Mr. Sampson's sentence simply means that his freedom is curtailed and he must remain in the same employment that he was in last October and not leave the town where he is employed.
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INTERPORT GOLF

Hong Kong Win By One Match.

FULL DESCRIPTION

The Interport Golf match between Hong Kong and Shanghai finished yesterday at Fanling with Hong Kong winners by 5 matches to 4. Each side won three of the six singles played, and Hong Kong had already won two foursomes on Saturday as against one for Shanghai.

At tiffin-time it looked possible that Hong Kong might win by a much larger margin, as Shewan was then 2 up on Blinko, Marton 5 up on Pilcher, and Wrigley 3 up on C. O. Cumming. Andrews and Dodwell were also one up on K. M. Cumming and W. Bowling respectively, the only Hong Kong man in arrears being Lawrence, who was 6 down to Lock.

Shanghai improved in the afternoon, however, and although Pilcher could never make up his arrears with Marton, Blinko and C. O. Cumming turned the tables, and won their matches, an exciting finish occurring in both cases.

Results

The full results were as follows:—

H. R. Blinko (Shanghai) beat I. W. Shewan (Hong Kong) at the 37th.

O. E. C. Marton (Hong Kong) beat J. F. Pilcher (Shanghai) by 7 and 6.

C. O. Cumming (Shanghai) beat J. D. Wrigley (Hong Kong) by one hole.

L. R. Andrews (Hong Kong) beat K. M. Cumming (Shanghai) by 3 and 2.

L. G. S. Dodwell (Hong Kong) beat W. Bowling (Shanghai) by 2 and one.

Lock (Shanghai) beat E. D. Lawrence (Hong Kong) 6 and 5.

A Breezy Morning

There was a stiff wind blowing when Shewan and Blinko drove off in the morning, and many of the players were in difficulty at the early holes, as a consequence. Shewan found himself in trouble more than once, but managed to get out again, and at the seventh was three up on Blinko, which lead had been cut to two by the time the ninth was reached. Blinko, however, squared the game at the 11th, but after being all square at the 14th, Shewan took the lead at the 16th, and finished the morning round two up.

Marton established an early lead on Pilcher, being two up at the fourth, which advantage he held at the sixth. Pilcher found several bad lies, but then held his own until the thirteenth, where Marton was on the green with an approach shot and lost the hole. He was, however, still two up at the 14th, and with Pilcher having a bad time coming home, he finished five up.

Wrigley and Cumming

Wrigley and C. O. M. Cumming both played good golf, and Wrigley was only one down at the 6th. At the 14th, after a keen struggle, he was still one down. However, he squared at the 15th, and playing at his best won the next three.

Lawrence made a bad start against Lock, topping several shots, and finding the bunkers at the second and fourth. He lost the first four holes, and in spite of improvement later, was six down at tiffin. Lock played very steadily, and deserved his long lead.

Andrews was in his best vein until he reached the green. It appeared, however, as if he simply could not get them down. He finished one up on K. M. Cumming after being two up at the ninth. At the 17th he lost the hole after being on in three.

Dodwell and Bowling had a very keen game in the morning, luck fluctuating a good deal. At the ninth Dodwell was one down, but he improved coming in, and wound up the morning one up.

Afternoon Rounds

Blinko played dourly against Shewan in the afternoon, getting himself out of trouble with some fine shots. At the 6th the Hong Kong player was still only two up, even though Blinko had been amongst the trees on the hillside, and had to hack his way out for the loss of the hole. Both played weakly off the seventh tee, failing to reach the green, and being badly placed in the rough near the ditch. At the Turn Blinko was again in trouble, and got into a bunker, giving up the hole. Shewan's lead was still the same, but he lost the horizon to make it one only.

At the 16th he was still 1 up, but weak putting lost him a half at the next, leaving him a half to win. Although he was well on, he missed yet another putt to give Blinko the hole and square the match. In the play-out Blinko won the match at the 37th.

Marton's Good Win

Marton and Pilcher went on evenly to the Long Hole, where the Shanghai player was still five down. At the next, Marton took iron, and promptly found the ditch. After a few futile swipes, and eventually running over the green,

he gave up the hole. He continued to lead, 5 up at the Turn, however, and eventually won by 7 and 6.

Wrigley Beaten

Wrigley and C. O. Cumming both played some fine golf at the earlier holes in the afternoon. Wrigley having 4, 4, 4, 4 to start with, and retaining his lead. He was going very strong at this stage, and looked all over a winner. Some bad luck with one or two long putts, which might easily have gone down, cut down his lead to one coming to the Bog. Here both players found trouble, as did nearly everyone else, and half-way round the position was all square.

At the 16th Wrigley was again one up. Cumming got in the rough at the next, to the right, on the hillside, but got out well, and was on in four. Wrigley, however, put his third, a short chip, over the green, and getting into difficulties, lost the hole. The match was thus brought to the Home green. Both players had fine drives, and were on in two, but here Wrigley ran over the hole, (or so it appeared) and Cumming, sinking his, a fine game resulted in his victory. It had been a great struggle, with some first-class play on both sides, and might have been anybody's.

Lawrence Fights Back

Of the remaining games, it appeared that Lawrence's defeat was almost certain, so that much depended upon the Andrews-K. M. Cumming and Bowling-Dodwell results. Andrews was one up at the Long Hole, and despite the fact that his putting was not of the best he increased this to two at the Turn. He eventually took the game by 3 and 2.

Lawrence, despite his handicap from the morning, hung grimly on to Lock. He was eight down at the 10th, but reduced the margin to 6 and 5 before admitting defeat. He never really recovered from his bad start in the morning, although he was playing better in the afternoon.

Dodwell Does The Trick

Starting off in the afternoon Dodwell had to perch himself up on the pimples to play his second. He was still a long way from the pin with his third, Bowling taking the hole. Dodwell recovered the lead soon after, being one up at the Long Hole and two up at the Turn. Bowling had very bad luck at the Gap and the Turn where he lost his ball on both occasions. He was not driving at all consistently and at the Gap pulled his tee shot and failed to recover the ball. At the Turn he put his second well off the line and never found the ball. He fought on grimly, however, Dodwell securing a two and one victory.

Comment

The standard of play was hardly up to Saturday's, but this was hardly to be expected, in view of the tricky wind, which was particularly bad at the Bog.

It appeared as if the Shanghai players "found" the tricky greens better than the local men. They sunk some good "long uns" whereas Hong Kong's didn't seem to want to drop. The "three-putt evil" was much in evidence, more particularly in the morning, when one or two players seemed anxious to get it all over as quickly as possible.

But altogether, a very pleasant and sporting affair.

KEEN FOURSOMES

Hong Kong led Shanghai by two games to one in the Interport Golf Tournament, as a result of the Foursomes, played over 36 holes, at Fanling on Saturday.

The scores were as follows:—I. W. Shewan and O. E. C. Marton (Hong Kong), beat H. R. Blinko and J. F. Pilcher (Shanghai), by 7 up and 6 to play.

C. O. Cumming and K. M. Cumming (Shanghai), beat J. D. Wrigley and L. G. S. Dodwell (Hong Kong), by 3 up and one to play.

E. D. Lawrence and L. R. Andrews (Hong Kong), beat Bowling and Lock (Shanghai), by 4 up and 3 to play.

Changes in Teams

There were changes in both teams. Mr. A. H. Ferguson could not play for the home side owing to illness, and Captain Bloxham was also unable to turn out. Accordingly, after some deliberation, it was decided to pair Wrigley with Dodwell, and Andrews was brought in to partner Lawrence.

Mr. Bowling played for Shanghai in place of Mr. R. T. Dennison, and was partnered by Mr. Lock.

Keen Struggles

As was generally anticipated, the matches were very keenly contested, and although the margin in favour of Shewan and Marton over Blinko and Pilcher was a fairly large one, in actual fact it hardly represented the true difference between the two couples. For a considerable period the Shanghai pair quite held their own, being only two down at the 18th, from which point they lost ground until they were four down at the 27th. Local conditions, and lack of practice on the course, possibly, had as much to do with this as anything, but all four played excellent golf without actually pro-

ducing their best individual form. Blinko was not in one of his super-driving moods, but played very steadily and consistently, combining excellently with Pilcher. Shanghai, in this match, did not start too well, and were three down at the ninth, but then fought back, and cut the lead to two at the 13th, eventually coming in to tiffin three down.

Dodwell's Bad Luck

Meanwhile Wrigley and Dodwell were having a bad time of it. Dodwell, in particular, started very shakily, and in spite of some excellent retrieving shots by Wrigley, who throughout the day played very coolly and accurately, the Hong Kong pair were actually 5 down at the ninth. Dodwell was having no luck with his approach shots, and was suffering from that dreadful affliction known as "head-up." He messed up his drive at the eighth, and played a poor shot when just off the green at the ninth. Things looked very serious hereabouts for Hong Kong, although the cheery news was received shortly afterwards that the remaining match was all square at the eleventh.

However, after a good deal of profound concentration, Dodwell struck something more like his real form, and at the end of the morning "eighteen," he and Wrigley had recaptured one of the lost holes, going in to tiffin four down.

In the meantime, after Bowling had squared the last game at the tenth, Lawrence and Andrews had become two up on their opponents. The match was thus left in a very open stage at the end of the first round.

Hopes and Fears

There was a good deal of speculation over the tiffin table as to what the outcome would be. It was considered that Shanghai's premier pair, with a little "loos," might very easily wipe out their opponents' lead, so well and consistently were they shaping. The last game was quite open, the only doubt being about the fate of Wrigley and Dodwell. When Shanghai took the first hole after tiffin, putting these two 5 down, the situation looked gloomier still, but from here on the Hong Kong pair recovered to such an extent that at the 27th they were actually only two down, and apparently going strong. Dodwell had hooked his drive into the rough at the 24th, but Wrigley got him out with a wonderful shot.

Later, however, two poor shots at the 28th and 29th spelt danger for the Hong Kong pair, and in spite of a dogged recovery on their part they had to admit defeat by 3 and one.

Hong Kong Successes

Shewan and Marton in the afternoon stuck to their lead and were four up at the 24th, which advantage they retained, win-

ning the match by 7 and 6. Interest was principally centred upon the second match by this time, in view of the fine struggle put up by the home players, but shortly afterwards Lawrence and Andrews pulled off their game by 4 and 3, leaving Hong Kong winners on the day's play.

Ideal Weather

The attractiveness of the match was greatly aided by the really ideal weather. There was no trace of wind or rain, and at one period in the afternoon the conditions were really summerlike. The standard of play was quite up to what is expected in these games, and it appeared to one who is not familiar with conditions on the Fanling course that the greens were quite fast, and a little tricky to play. Possibly the putting generally suffered in consequence, although there was a good deal of generosity in the matter of concessions, which made a card-and-pencil reckoning unnecessary.

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FOOTBALL

Colony Go Down at Shanghai

CHINESE DRAW

Although hoping for the best, Hong Kong suffered defeat in the Interport Match at Shanghai, as was expected. Reeves, from a penalty, and Gosano, scored the two goals for Hong Kong.

Another thrilling game was followed at Caroline Hill, but with the score of two goals all at full time Southern and Eastern China will have to meet again to decide the Chinese Interport. The re-play has been fixed for to-day on the same ground, the kick off being timed for 3.30.

In the Challenge Shield, Junior re-play, another draw was the verdict after extra time so the Navy and Somerset have still to fight for the right to enter the second round.

RESULTS AT A GLANCE

Interport	
Shanghai	5 Hong Kong 2
Chinese Inter-Sectional—Re-play	
Southern	2 Eastern 2
Challenge Shield—Junior Re-play	
Navy	1 Somerset 1
* After extra time.	
Division I	
St. Joseph's	1 R.A. 2
Division II	
S. China "A"	2 Eastern 0
Chinese "A"	3 Club 0
K.O.S.B.	9 S. China "B" 0

LEAGUE TABLES TO DATE

Division I		Goals	
	P. W. D. L.	F. A. Pts.	
K.O.S.B.	18 11 5 2	42 17 27	
Athletic	14 10 2 2	32 11 22	
Navy	15 8 2 3	31 10 21	
Somerset	12 8 1 3	24 9 17	
R.A.	15 7 1 7	34 20 14	
Southern	15 6 2 4	20 10 14	
Kowloon	13 5 3 5	25 19 13	
Club	13 2 3 8	14 27 7	
St. Joseph's	14 3 0 11	13 43 6	
Recreio	13 2 1 10	14 38 5	
Police	13 2 1 10	13 36 5	

Division II		Goals	
	P. W. D. L.	F. A. Pts.	
K.O.S.B.	25 20 2 3	95 16 42	
S. China "A"	15 13 1 1	46 5 27	
Navy	17 12 3 2	55 12 27	
Chinese "A"	14 11 2 1	38 14 24	
Somerset	16 8 3 5	39 24 19	
St. Joseph's	15 3 1 11	34 23 15	
Eastern	15 6 2 7	27 24 14	
Kowloon	15 6 2 7	24 36 14	
R.A.	16 5 3 8	17 38 13	
S. China "B"	14 2 8 21	44 10	
Athletic	13 4 1 8	16 29 9	
University	14 3 1 10	13 40 7	
R.A.M.C.	19 1 4 14	36 43 6	
Ewo	14 1 3 10	13 43 6	
Club	14 1 2 11	7 50 4	

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From MONDAY, FEBRUARY 3.
Australia and Manila Tania
Saigon G.G. Paul Doumer
Straits Kamo Maru

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 8.
Europe via Negapatam (Letters only, London, January 9) Menelaus

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 14.
Shanghai Karmala

OUTWARD MAILS

For MONDAY, FEBRUARY 3.
Japan, Canada, U.S.A., C. and S. America and Europe, via Victoria, B.C.

Shanghai and *Europe via Siberia
President Jefferson (Due Victoria, B.C., Feb. 21.)
Parcels Feb. 3, 3 p.m.
Registration 4.15 p.m.
Letters 5 p.m.

Manila Feb. 3, 5 p.m.
Letters 6 p.m.
Empress of Asia 3.30 p.m.
Bintang 5 p.m.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 4.
Manila 9.30 a.m.
Tjilondari 1 p.m.

Swatow, Amoy and Foochow 9.30 a.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. and S. Africa, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles 1 p.m.

K.P.O.
Registration Feb. 4, 1 p.m.
Letters 1 p.m.

Bangkok 1 p.m.
Swatow 5 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 5.
Haiphong 1.30 p.m.
Canton 1.30 p.m.

Japan, Honolulu, U.S.A., Canada, C. & S. America and *Europe via San Francisco 1.30 p.m.

Shanghai and *Europe via Siberia
Korea Maru (Due San Francisco, Feb. 23.)
Registration Feb. 5, 4.15 p.m.
Letters 5 p.m.

Korea Maru
Registration Feb. 5, 5 p.m.
Letters 6 p.m.
Chung Koo 4.30 p.m.
Linan 5 p.m.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 6.
Hothow, Pakhoi and Haiphong 8.30 a.m.
Sandakan 10.30 a.m.

Manila, Australia & New Zealand via Brisbane
Himalaya Maru (Due Brisbane, Feb. 24.)
Registration Feb. 6, 5 p.m.
Letters Feb. 7, 8.30 a.m.

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RUSSIAN PRINCESS DIVORCED

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AT 19 YEARS OF AGE

SOCIETY SENSATION

New York, Yesterday.
Society is full of sensation at the news that Mrs. William B. Leeds (ex-Princess Xenia of Russia) has obtained an interlocutory decree of divorce from William B. Leeds, junior son of the tycoon magnate. The judge who signed the decree announced that it was based on the referee's findings in the divorce suit, and he was unaware of the grounds on which the action was based.

Princess Xenia and her husband were each nineteen when they were married in Paris in 1921. Mr. Leeds' step-mother, Princess Anastasia of Greece, opposed the marriage. — Reuter's American Service.

AMERICANS VISIT ANCESTRAL HOME

NAVAL DELEGATES THRILLED
BY WILLIAM PENN'S HOME

HISTORIC LINKS WITH U.S.

Rugby, Yesterday.
The American delegates to the Naval Conference were the guests of the Prime Minister at Chequers yesterday, and were conducted by Mr. Ramsay MacDonald on a tour of Buckinghamshire, visiting many places which have historic links with their ancestral New England. The first halt was made at Milton's Cottage at Chalfont St. Giles, which the great poet used as a refuge during the plague of 1665, and where he meditated "Paradise Regained."

The visitors were even more impressed with Penn's simple grave near Jordans, the meeting house of the early Quakers and with the farmhouse and barn built from the timbers of the Mayflower, in which the early settlers voyaged to New England. The graves of Burke, Edmund Waller and Disraeli, and other notable places of interest were also visited.—British Wireless Service.

Hull tramwaymen who are under notice because they continued to work during the General Strike are determined to fight their case in the courts. Lady Houston has promised to bear the cost of legal representation.

BOMB IN BRITISH MUSEUM

TELEPHONE MESSAGE GIVES
THE "PLOT" AWAY

INDIANS IMPLICATED

London, Yesterday.
Scotland Yard states that the bomb found in the British Museum undoubtedly contained explosive matter, but the extent of it cannot be stated until the report of the Home Office experts gives the result of the analysis.—Reuter.

Earlier News

London, Saturday.

Scotland Yard detectives are enquiring into the startling discovery of a bomb in the Indian Room in the British Museum. The bomb was discovered following a telephone message from a stranger saying that he overheard Indian students saying they intended placing a bomb in the Museum. All the officials of the Museum were immediately notified and a thorough search revealed a bomb which was obviously of home manufacture wrapped in a newspaper, hidden on the first landing a short distance from the spot where the Indian exhibits are arranged.

An alarm was raised and the police summoned. They cut off the fuse from the bomb and took the latter to the police station for experts to report. Until the receipt of the report, it cannot be said whether it was a deliberate intention to blow up part of the Museum or a hoax.

Probably a Hoax

London, Yesterday.
A responsible official of the British Museum, when interviewed, expressed considerable scepticism regarding the seriousness of the find. He was of the opinion that it was probably a hoax.

The result of the expert investigation regarding the bomb, which was found wrapped in a piece of newspaper, is not yet known. Superintendent Parker in charge of a special branch of Scotland Yard has taken charge of the investigations and is endeavouring to trace the man who telephoned a warning. It is understood he gave the name of Ali Khan.—Reuter.

DIPLOMATIC CORPS

Washington, Saturday.
The Senate has confirmed the appointments of Mr. Alexander Moore as Ambassador to Poland and Mr. Brodie to be Minister to Finland.—Reuter's American Service.

THE BROOM BUSY IN SPAIN

NEW PREMIER EXHUMES THE
OLD ORDER OF THINGS

MEASURES OF REFORM

Madrid, Yesterday.
The new broom is busy in Spain and already orders are reported to have been issued for the dissolution of the National Assembly (the Dictatorship's puppet parliament), while old political parties will be encouraged to open campaigns for the imminent elections.

Other measures of reform include the re-instatement of artillery officers and university professors who were made to retire recently on account of their respective activities against the dictatorship, and a complete revision of certain fines and penalties.—Reuter.

CHINESE MARINES TAKE HAINAN

REBEL LEADER CAPTURED BY
ADMIRAL CHAN CHAK

OVER 1,000 PRISONERS

Canton, Yesterday.
Admiral Chan Chak has returned to Canton from his expedition to the Hainan Island. His marines have achieved a quick, but decisive victory on the island, culminating in the capture of the rebel leader, Wu Tao-nam and over 1,000 prisoners and 1,300 rifles at Hoi-hoi. The prisoners and rifles are being brought back to Canton by the gunboats, which are expected to arrive shortly.

New Gunboat Trial

Nanking, Yesterday.
The trial of the newly constructed gunboat "Min Chuan" has given complete satisfaction to Admiral Chan Shao-kuan, Acting Minister of the Navy. The length of the gunboat is 200 feet, tonnage 600, speed—18 nautical miles, equipment—10 guns, with a crew of 150 men, including 5 officers. It was sent to the upper Yangtze River for patrol work under the command of the 2nd Naval Squadron.

Youthful Communists who demonstrated before the White House at Washington, and were arrested, have been ordered to be sent home by President Hoover, who declines to offer them "a cheap martyrdom."

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